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"We respectfully implore the committee," said Mr. Cane, "to ask the library to remove all their videos for the remainder of their stay in Princeton Shopping Center."

The library opened the doors of its Princeton Shopping Center location in November 2001, a temporary location during the construction of its new \$18 million building.

"When we moved in, they told us they would be here for 18 months," said Aaron Cane. "We were very happy when we heard that they were coming in until we saw what they had. Now, it's like a bad dream."

Construction on the site of the new library building on the corner of Witherspoon and Wiggins streets is expected to begin on December 2 following delays due to a soil remediation project by PSE&G. The building is slated to open in December 2003, but the delays may push its opening to early 2004.

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THANKSGIVING FEAST: Three-year-old Mia Brown, dressed as an American Indian, and five-year-old Megan Neimba, dressed as a pilgrim, participate in a Thanksgiving feast at Stuart Country Day School on Tuesday. Students in pre-school classes made their own cranberry sauce, stuffing, pumpkin pie, and corn bread to go with turkey prepared by school chefs.

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### Young Audiences Given Grant for Program

Young Audiences of New Jersey, of Princeton, has received a \$7,500 grant from the First Union Foundation to support The Ennis Beley Project, a four-week photography program held each summer for Trenton preteens and teens who are either homeless or formerly homeless.

"The grant from the First Union Foundation will help fund the extension of the summer program throughout the school year and help us to reach more children," Kristin Golden Wenger, executive director of Young Audiences of New Jersey, said.

Created by Young Audiences of New Jersey in partnership with HomeFront in Trenton, the Ennis Beley Project teaches adolescents from Trenton the art and business of photography in hands-on workshops. They take their own photographs, develop their own film, and go on picture-taking field trips. The program culminates with an exhibit.

Now in its sixth year, The Ennis Beley Project is named for an exceptionally talented young man from South Central Los Angeles who discovered photography at age 11 and died in a drive-by shooting a few days before his 15th birthday.

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**CANINE COMFORT:** Lewis School student Lily Rosen practices her reading skills by reading aloud to Curtsey, a certified therapy dog. Teacher Tara McCullough says reading to Curtsey makes her students more confident. "She doesn't say 'You read too slow' or 'You pronounced that wrong'."

(Photo by Rebecca Blackwell)

## Therapy Dog Curtsey Helps Students Develop Academic and Social Skills

The most popular member of Tara McCullough's third and fourth grade class doesn't do homework and she doesn't know how to read. But she does make all of her classmates more enthusiastic about school and more focused on learning.

Curtsey is Ms. McCullough's licensed "therapy dog." More than a mascot, she helps students at the Lewis School on Bayard Lane learn positive social skills like patience,

### TOPICS Of the Town

hear, to stay calm and focused while they work.

"When a child is starting to get frustrated, to get upset, she has a wonderful ability to sense that and to comfort that child," says Ms. McCullough. The six year old Australian Shepherd-Chow Chow mix has free reign of the school, but she spends most of her time in the classroom of Ms. McCullough, who owns and trained her.

Students in Ms. McCullough's class feel lucky to have Curtsey for a classmate. "I think it's really cool to have a dog inside while you are doing your work," says nine-year-old student Lily Rosen.

Classmate Stephen Karsay adds, "She makes me feel good. She helps me learn."

Curtsey is certified through Therapy Dogs International, an organization that has certified more than 11,000 dogs in the United States. Therapy dogs work in schools, hospitals, nursing homes, juvenile detention centers, and shelters for victims of abuse.

#### Must Pass a Test

To be licensed as a therapy dog, a dog and its trainer must pass tests for obedience and demeanor. Dogs must demonstrate their ability to respond to commands, be comfortable with noise and groups of people, including people in wheelchairs. Ms. McCullough spent two years training Curtsey prior to testing for the certification.

What can't be taught through training is a sensitivity to human emotions. "She's a very nurturing, loving dog. She's highly sensitive to human emotions," says Ms. McCullough, whose second dog Molly works as a therapy dog in nursing homes and hospitals. Curtsey, is well suited to schools, she says, because she loves children and can sense their fear, anger, frustration, and sadness and respond appropriately.

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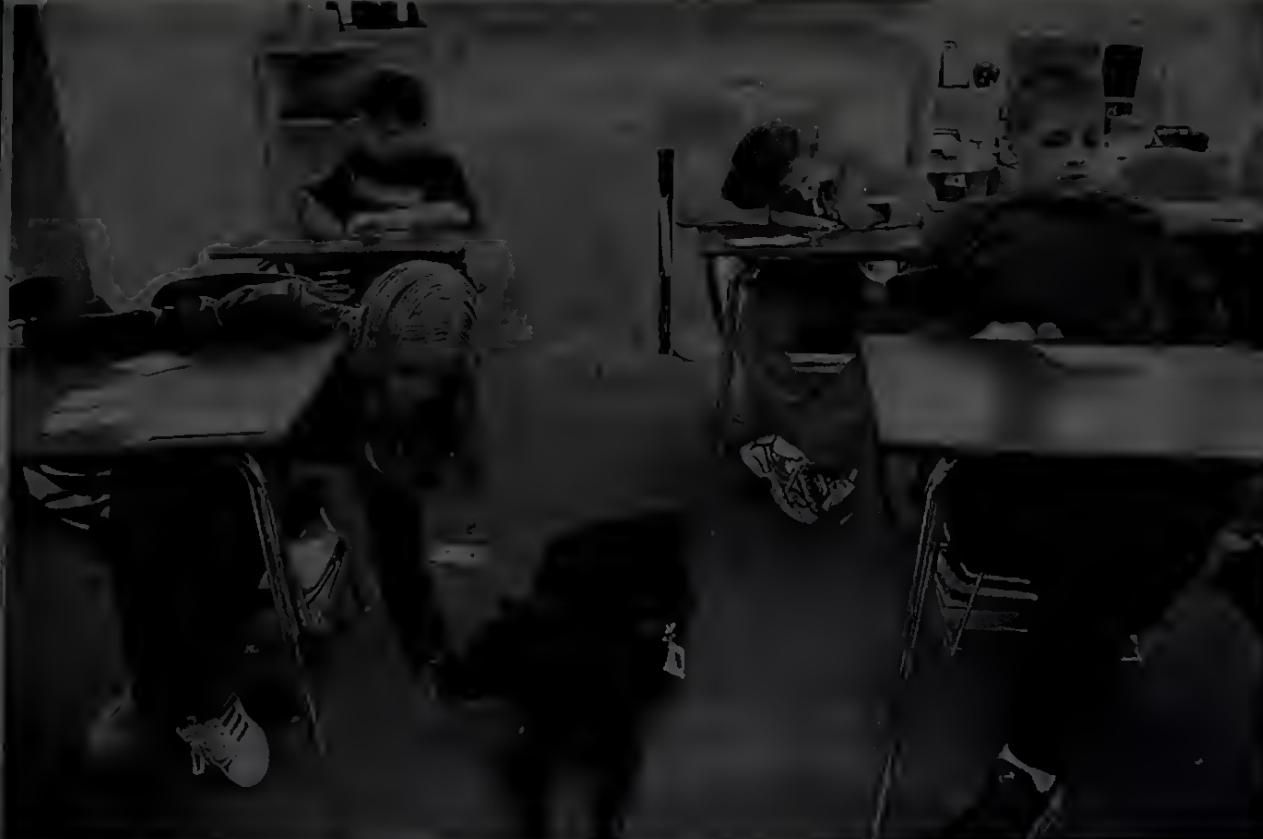
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**CLASSROOM COMPANION:** Nicole Montemurno takes a minute to pet Curtsey, while classmates Alex Spar, right, Renie Epstein, back right, and Max Skula work on an in-class assignment. (Photo by Rebecca Blackwell)

### Therapy Dog

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is going to love them no matter what."

Ms. McCullough also uses Curtsey to teach students about academic and emotional issues. Students read aloud to Curtsey in private, engage in simulation dog training exercises, and create

Venn diagrams to evaluate how the traits of two different breeds overlap in Curtsey. And when Curtsey had cancer last year, the class discussed the science of tumors and the emotional side of dealing with illness.

Another effect has been to make the young students in Ms. McCullough's class feel like experts, since older students come to them to learn about how to behave with Curtsey and how to take care of her.

A former student of the Lewis School, the 28-year-old teacher joined the school faculty in the summer of 2001. Soon afterward, she approached school director Marcia Lewis about bringing Curtsey into the classroom. Ms. Lewis and the administration were supportive from the beginning, she said.

Some parents initially had doubts about the program, said David Young, the Lewis School's director of admissions and outreach. "By Christmas, they were some of our biggest advocates," he said.

#### Allergies, a Concern

Allergies are a main concern for parents, but Curtsey's special, natural diet, weekly baths, and winter clothing keep shedding and dander to a minimum. Ms. McCullough, who is herself allergic to dogs, says there

have been no problems with allergic reactions by students.

For the school administrators, there is no question about the value of having a therapy dog in the classroom. "Curtsey models social behaviors for our students," says Mr. Young. Curtsey is trained not to respond to yelling, sharp speech, or aggressive behavior, and students quickly learn to be calm, quiet, and gentle around her.

She also models coping behavior for students. "If Curtsey can walk away from a situation that isn't good, so can my students," says Ms. McCullough. "The idea that 'if a dog can do it, I can certainly do it' really hit home for them."

—Rebecca Blackwell

### Holiday Appeals Fight Blindness

For 31 consecutive years, local women have gathered at Julie Gund's barn in Griggstown to stuff, seal, label, and address more than

4,000 holiday solicitations for the New Jersey affiliate of the Foundation for Fighting Blindness (FFB).

The annual event has provided not only an opportunity to raise substantial funds each year to combat blinding eye diseases, but it also serves as a venue for the women to gather and share in each other's lives.

"In the old days, we used to do this while our children either hung out in playpens or played all over the place with their toys," said Ms. Gund, president of the New Jersey affiliate. "We've listened to stories about each other's offspring from birth to high school to college to the altar, and now we're relishing the stories of one another's grandchildren."

"This is the 21st century version of an old-fashioned quilting bee," said Sue Jaques, former director of the affiliate. "Women have gathered together to do good works and be with each other for centuries. The holiday solicitation is no exception."

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**TEACHER'S PET:** Curtsey sits beside teacher Tara McCullough during a language arts class at the Lewis School. "She helps us, comforting us when we work," says student Jimmy Birkenstamm, left. (Photo by Rebecca Blackwell)



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**ARTS EDUCATION:** Princeton Junior School's Grade 5 field trip to the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City was the culmination of an interdisciplinary study using an E.L. Konigsburg novel as its basis. In addition to studying Michelangelo, each student chose an artist and a specific painting in the museum to research and then presented his or her results. The students were thrilled to later see "their" paintings first-hand at the museum, and they came away with a greater understanding and appreciation of the creative process in all disciplines.

#### IDEAS Center to Begin Third Year of Programs

Princeton Regional School's (PRS) Elementary School IDEAS Center, which offers a variety of after-school educational programs, will resume its programs for a third year of activities for grades 1 through 5.

Funded by a grant from the 21st Century Grant Foundation, the IDEAS Center was created to expand the school day with a consistent series of children's workshops directed at reading recovery and the arts in education.

Its two-fold objective serves to complement the regular school day, while also creating enriching learning programs between the vital hours of 3 and 5 p.m.

"Each school has a slightly different focus while also sharing a common theme," said Paul Bernstein, the IDEAS Center director. "We create new and imaginative learning situations for elementary school children. That

has been our focus since we began to re-envision after-school learning at the start of the 1999-2000 school year."

The programs planned for Princeton Regional School include "Instrumental Music Instruction" for grades 3 to 5, Tuesday through Thursday; and "Leaps in Reading" for grades 1 and 2, Tuesday through Thursday.

On Fridays at Johnson Park Elementary School, "Piano Workshop" will be offered by For more information or to volunteer, call the IDEAS Center at 203-6672.

Littlebrook Elementary School will feature "Latin Dance" for grades 1 and 2, Tuesday through Thursday; "Leaps in Reading" for grades 1 and 2, Tuesday through Thursday; and "Inventors Club" for grades 4 to 5 on Tuesdays.

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LEARNING LADIES: Princeton Junior School students Taylor Davis, left, and Adriana Van Manen pause for a moment during their work in the school's "Learning Through Landscape" project to inspect a ladybug.



TEAMING UP: Rebecca Wong, left, and Alexander Zink, students at Princeton Junior School, teamed up to unearth a sunflower and clear the school's garden for the winter as part of their "Learning Through Landscape" program.

Junior School Students  
Learn Through Landscape

Princeton Junior School has committed itself to integrating its curriculum with its immediate surroundings and community through its "Learning through Landscapes" program.

Initiated in 1998 when the school moved to its new location — which features upland meadows, woods, and wetlands connected to the Shetucket Creek — the program involves children, teachers, and parents in the exploration, appreciation, use, and development of the school's six-acre grounds.

The design and implementation of projects is carried throughout the school's curriculum. Examples include integrating the observation of nature with poetry writing and composition, drawing and painting based on interaction with natural objects, the utilization of math skills in the laying out of planting beds, and learning about the natural habitats of insects and animals as a precursor to the study of human dwelling places and community.

Princeton Junior School's program has been developed through its affiliation with the Learning Through Landscapes Trust, a British government-subsidized organization that promotes the educational development of school grounds.

The school's plan includes the development of a hands-on teaching garden with vegetables and flowers; a small orchard of apple trees; a row of river birch trees along a path network; upper and lower school playground improvements; a courtyard

and terrace that will function as an alternate setting for all-school gatherings; an entry circle garden; an open-air learning pavilion; a demonstration garden of wetland grass, shrub species, and canopy trees; a reading garden; an outdoor classroom; and an amphitheater with a water wall.

The landscape plan is expected to take five to 10 years to implement fully. Funding for the first two years of the program has come from the Bristol Foundation, the Bunbury Company, and school parents and friends.

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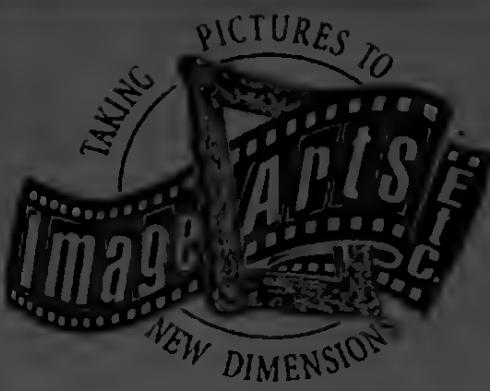
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November 8; Joseph and Ethel Bridges, Lawrenceville, November 8; Edmund and Louise Haemmerle, Princeton, November 11;

Also Marco and Erika Hernandez, Skillman, November 11; Chandra Kandlakounder and Uma Ganesan, Princeton, November 14; Jeffrey and Monica Schneider, Princeton, November 14; Anthony and Tyeisha Faison-Ash, Princeton, November 14; and Benjamin and Debra Gitterman, Princeton, November 20.

Daughters were born to Suresh and Poornima

Katakam, Princeton Junction, November 8; Edward and Amy Picco, Princeton, November 8; Alexander and Lydia Zabasajja, Lawrenceville, November 8; Carlos Rios and Lisa Baptis, Lawrenceville, November 12; Roshan Malik and Vaishali Pundir, Lawrenceville, November 15;

Also Francisco and Alice Fernandes, West Windsor, November 15; Steven and Braith Dicker, Robbinsville, November 17; Patrick and Dorothy Holmes, Princeton, November 18; Reginald and Bridgette Motley, Pennington, November 18; John and Beth Crutcher, Plainsboro, November 19; Kannan and Chittukkala Arumugam, Princeton Junction, November 19;

Also November 19; Stephen and Mary Arnold, Princeton, November 19; and James and Tracey Drift, Skillman, November 20.

**Mellon Foundation Names  
Michael Cook for Award**

Michael Cook, the Cleveland Dodge Professor of Near Eastern Studies at Princeton University, has been selected by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation as one of five winners of its Distinguished Achievement Award. The award honors scholars who have made significant contributions to the humanities, and provides recipients and their institutions with resources to extend humanistic research.

Prof. Cook, who joined the Princeton faculty in 1986, has made significant contributions to the intellectual history of the medieval Islamic world. His works on Muhammad and early Islamic theology are well regarded. He recently published a study of the interaction between morality and authority in Islamic thought.

Prof. Cook's work draws upon a wide range of medieval and modern legal, literary and philosophical sources from the Islamic world. "He has opened up important new avenues of scholarly inquiry for the study of Islamic civilization, and in the process has sensitized his readers to the general relevance of ethical questions in the study of history and society," the foundation said in a statement.

The three-year awards, worth up to \$1.5 million, aim to underscore the contributions the humanities make to the nation's intellectual life. Unlike other academic awards that benefit the scholar exclusively, the Distinguished Achievement Awards are designed to recognize the interdependence of scholars and their institutions. Accordingly, the grants support specific activities that enhance scholarship and teaching more broadly at the recipients' institutions.

The other Distinguished Achievement Award winners this year are Sheila Fitzpatrick, professor of modern Russian history at the University of Chicago; Michael McCormick, professor of medieval history at Harvard University; Jerome McGann, professor of English at the University of Virginia; and Susan Wolf, professor of philosophy at the University of North Carolina.

**HiTops Wins Grant  
For AIDS Education**

HiTops of Princeton was

among the 14 New Jersey organizations awarded grants by the New Jersey AIDS Partnership (NJAP) for 2002.

HiTops, which is located on Wiggins Street, was selected in recognition of its support group for gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered youth. HiTops is dedicated to educating teens about sexuality while promoting sexual health and combating teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases.

NJAP is a statewide collaboration of private funders, public health officials, service providers, people living with HIV and AIDS, and community leaders. The organization is supported by the National AIDS fund, and all funds raised each year are granted to community-based, non-profit organizations that provide HIV/AIDS education, prevention efforts, and case management and direct services for people living with HIV and AIDS.

Marcia Harman, project coordinator for the Partnership, says, "[New Jersey] ranks third in the number of children with AIDS and fifth in the number of HIV/AIDS cases. NJAP is the most effective way to support a targeted approach of prevention and education by funding local solutions to fight HIV/AIDS in New Jersey."

For information, call 688-0550 or visit NJAP's webpage through the Princeton Area Community Foundation at [www.pacf.org/aids](http://www.pacf.org/aids).

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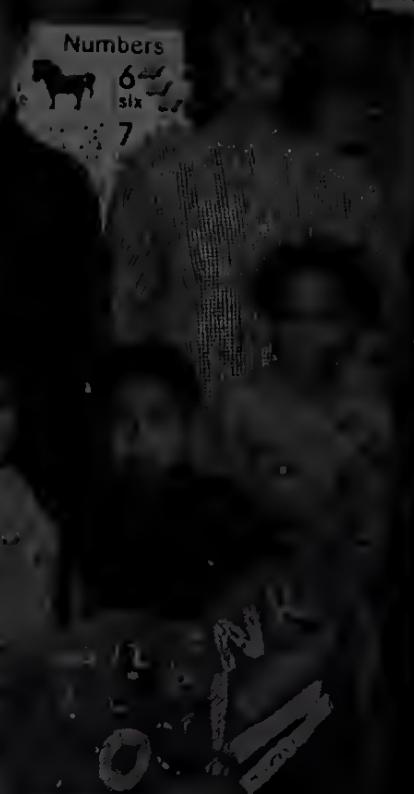
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## Eden Family of Services Honors Local Businesses

The Eden WERCs (Work Education and Resource Centers) Business Advisory Council (BAC) honored the many area businesses that employ the men and women of Eden WERCs by hosting its second annual Employer Appreciation Reception recently at the Nassau Club of Princeton.

A division of the Eden Family of Services, Eden WERCs provides employment opportunities for adults with autism.

Comprised of local business leaders, the BAC regularly meets with the management staff of Eden WERCs to develop ideas and provide contacts for new employment possibilities.

"Hiring Eden WERCs to get the job done is a win-win situation," said Scott Rieger, assistant director of employment at Eden. "Our services are cost effective, we provide excellent quality, we complete our mailing jobs on time, and satisfaction is guaranteed; but, most of all, hiring our employees helps them to become contributing members of the community."

Founded in 1983, Eden WERCs has grown over the years and now operates three centers that together provide employment opportunities for more than 70 adults with autism, a lifelong developmental disability that severely affects communication, social behavior, and learning.

Since 1975, the Eden Family of Services has provided life-span services for children and adults with autism as well as support and assistance for their families. For more information, call 466-2553.

**A HEARTFELT THANK YOU:** Children from the YWCA Princeton Child Care Center hold a card their class made to send to the J. Seward Johnson, Sr. 1963 Charitable Trust, thanking its trustees for their grant of \$20,000. YWCA development director Catharine Vaucher, left and on-site director Kelly Schwinger stand with students, from left, Julio Paz, Samuel Garcia, and Hannah Taylor. The child care center teaches language and literacy skills to prepare children from non-English speaking families to enter Kindergarten.

### Weddings and Engagements

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## Professor Steps Down As Dean of Faculty At the University

Joseph Taylor, dean of the faculty at Princeton University since 1997, will step down from that post at the end of the academic year in June. Prof. Taylor, the James McDonnell Distinguished University Professor of Physics, will return to full-time teaching and research.

"It's been a terrific experience," Prof. Taylor said. "I've really enjoyed working with both presidents Harold Shapiro and Shirley Tilghman. It has been a real privilege. Princeton has been served well over the years by having members of its faculty willing and excellent judgment, and

to spend time in the senior administration. I am happy that I was persuaded by Harold to take a turn at doing that."

Prof. Taylor originally was appointed to a five-year term as dean. This past June, his term was extended for one year. He has kept up with his research and stayed in touch with his colleagues in physics by spending most Friday afternoons in his office in the department.

### Exceptional Leadership

"Joe Taylor has provided exceptional leadership for Princeton and has helped to strengthen our faculty in significant ways," Pres. Tilghman said. "I have relied heavily on his wise counsel and excellent judgment, and

was deeply grateful that he agreed to extend his service for an additional year. Now our challenge is to find someone with similar qualities to succeed him."

Pres. Tilghman has appointed a search committee for his replacement that consists of: Phillip Nord, professor of history, who will serve as committee chair; Tony Dahlen, professor of geosciences; Caryl Emerson, the A. Watson Armour III University Professor of Slavic Languages and Literatures; Bo Honore, professor of economics; Peter Jaffe, professor of civil and environmental engineering; Suzanne Staggs, associate professor of physics; and Michael Wood, the Charles Barnwell Straut Class

of 1923 Professor of English.

The dean of the faculty, who traditionally comes from the ranks of the faculty at Princeton, has administrative oversight of the departments and programs of instruction and is responsible for recruiting and retaining faculty members.

Prof. Taylor joined the Princeton faculty in 1980 and was named to the McDonnell chair in 1986. He shared the Nobel Prize in physics in 1993 with Russell Hulse, principal research physicist at the Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory, for their discovery of a unique twin star system known as a binary pulsar and its use to verify Einstein's general theory of relativity.

He also has received the Dannie Heineman Prize of the American Astronomical Society and American Institute of Physics, a MacArthur Fellowship and the Wolf Prize in Physics.

## Global Cinema Cafe To Show Film on Jamaica

The Global Cinema Cafe will present a free screening of *Life and Debt*, an award-winning documentary film on the economy of Jamaica, on Sunday, December 1, at 4 p.m., at the Carl A. Fields Center.

The film examines Jamaica's long-term indebtedness to international lending organizations and the impact of that debt on local agriculture and industry.

Produced and directed by Stephanie Black, the film includes interviews with former prime minister Michael Manley and the vice chancellor of the University of the West Indies, Rex Nettleford. The narration, by Jamalca Kincaid, is based on her book *A Small Planet*.

Musician featured in the film include Ziggy Marley, Bob Marley, Buju Banton, and Harry Belafonte.

Awards given to *Life and Debt* include the One World 2002 Prague Human Rights Film Festival audience award for best film of the festival.

Guest speaker at the screening will be Jamaican-born psychiatrist Gerry Groves. He is treasurer of the University of the West Indies Northeast Medical Alumni, an organization that supports higher education in the region.

The screening is co-sponsored by the Princeton University Department of English.

The Carl A. Fields Center for Equality and Cultural Understanding is located at the corner of Olden Lane and Prospect Avenue. For information, call 924-0455 or visit [www.globalcinema.org](http://www.globalcinema.org).

band provided music for dancing.

At the benefit event, Glenmade Trust Company was recognized for its corporate leadership. Mr. and Mrs. Scheide, long-time supporters of the Historical Society, received this year's award for individual leadership. Mrs. Gertrude Scheide passed away on November 18.

A live auction of a few select items, including a one-week stay at a vacation home in the Florida Keys, was hosted by Princeton Borough Mayor Marvin Reed.

A silent auction, a traditional element of the benefit, featured gift certificates and merchandise from area restaurants and businesses. Among the items was a private kitchen tour along with a dinner gift certificate offered by Eric Martin, chef and general manager of Rat's Restaurant at Grounds for Sculpture. Susan and Keith Coleman offered a black-tie dinner for ten people in their new home in scenic Solebury Township, Bucks County.

Located at 158 Nassau Street in the Bainbridge House, the Historical Society of Princeton is a museum and library dedicated to interpreting the history of Princeton. Its current exhibition, "From Towpath to Bike Path: Princeton and the Delaware & Raritan Canal," will run through March 1, 2003.

The Historical Society is open, free of charge, from 12 to 4 on Tuesday through Sunday from March through December, and weekends only in January and February. For more information, call visit [www.princetonhistory.org](http://www.princetonhistory.org).

## "Cool Women" to Consider Families at Public Library

The Cool Women, a local seven-poet performance ensemble, will turn their attention to family matters at Princeton Public Library on Monday, December 2 at 7 p.m.

Shortly after the Thanksgiving weekend, the group will address the paradox of relatives in a program entitled "Familles - Can't Live With 'Em; Can't Live Without 'Em" in the meeting room at the library.

The ensemble, comprising poets Eloise Bruce, Carolyn Edelmann, Lois Harrod, Betty Lies, Joyce Lott, Judy Michaels and Penelope Schott, has been a fixture on the local literary scene since its founding in February of 2000.

Dubbed "New Jersey's Magnificent Seven" by one reviewer, the Cool Women have published two eponymous volumes of poetry. Copies of "Cool Women Volume Two" will be available for purchase and signing.

The appearance by the Cool Women is one of the many library programs made possible through funds donated by the Friends of the Princeton Public Library. All library programs are detailed in "@ your library," the newsletter and program guide available throughout the library.

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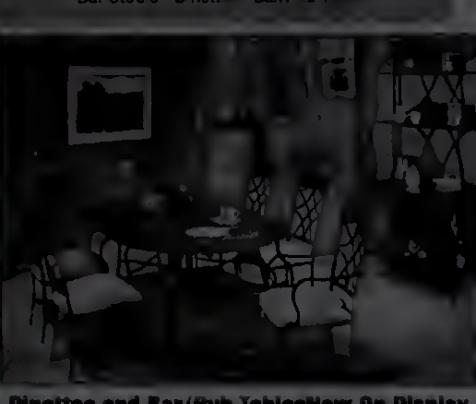
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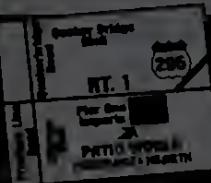
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## Man Charged With Sexual Assault Against 13-Year-Old

A 28-year-old Kingston man, Bernardino Marcelino Perez-Lopez, was arrested November 22 and charged with attempted aggravated sexual assaults on a 13-year-old Princeton resident. According to police, the assaults took place several times over a two-year period, from October 1999 until October 2001. The accused was charged with touching the child on the breasts, buttocks and vagina, and with attempting to penetrate her. He was taken to Mercer County Correction Center; bail was set at \$25,000. Arraignment will be December 2.

Five men were charged with driving while intoxicated in Princeton. On November 19, Efren Diaz-Garcia, 29, of Princeton, was stopped for failure to keep right while driving on Witherspoon Street. He was subsequently arrested when police determined that he had been operating his vehicle under the influence of alcohol. He was also charged with possession of a controlled dangerous substance after a search at police headquarters revealed that he was carrying a small quantity of marijuana. A December 2 court date was set.

On November 21, Timothy

Buder, 33, of Newark, and a building under construction on Bunn Drive, sometime between November 16 and November 20.

Mr. Butler was stopped on University Place for failure to keep right, and subsequently arrested when it was determined that he had been operating his vehicle under the influence of alcohol. Mr. Sefchek, similarly, was stopped for failure to keep right while driving on Stockton Street, and subsequently determined to have been DWI.

The following day, a 25-year-old Skillman man, Marc J. Eldridge, was arrested for DWI after he had been stopped by police for making an improper turn on Stockton Street. And on November 24 police arrested an 18-year-old Princeton University student, Donnelly McDowell of Laytonsville, on the same charge. He, too, was determined to be DWI after having been stopped for failure to keep right on Alexander Street.

William Spedding, 48, of Princeton, was the victim of criminal mischief, harassment and theft during the evening of November 15. According to police, Mr. Spedding's parked car was scraped and dented, and its front license plate stolen, while it was parked in front of 100 Nassau Street. Police have no suspect.

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The disks, valued at \$2,040, were subsequently determined to have been stolen from two residences in Roosevelt. Further investigation revealed that Mr. Freedman and Mr. Cokeley had previously sold VHS tapes, DVD movies and CDs to the Record Exchange on November 16. Mr. Cokeley was released on \$250 bail; his accomplices were taken to Mercer County Correction Center.

A warrant was issued November 20 against Leonardo Solis, 30, of Trenton. Mr. Solis had come to Roosevelt police headquarters that day to inquire about his brother-in-law, previously arrested for DWI in an automobile owned by Mr. Solis. Police then determined that two active arrest warrants were outstanding against Mr. Solis, both on contempt of court charges for DWI.

A Trenton man, James Carter Hill, 41, was also cited for contempt of court after being arrested November 18. He had been stopped for consuming an open container of beer while walking on Nassau Street, and subsequently found to have an active arrest warrant against him from Princeton. He was charged with contempt of court and violating an open container ordinance, and released on \$100 bail.

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The program teaches area adolescents job preparation strategies and practical life skills in the context of career exploration and community involvement.

WOWY students come to understand the connections between a solid education and broader employment opportunities and those between academic success and success in the workplace.

Weekly meetings, guest speakers, seminars, worksite tours, college campus visits, one-on-one sessions with a vocational specialist, and entry-level part-time employment opportunities help students reach WOWY's goals.

"The program is an outstanding example of the effect that our substance abuse prevention programs can have on a young person's life," said Gary DeBlasio, executive director of Corner House. For more than 30 years, the counseling agency has offered a full range of clinical treatment services and school-based community education programs that seek to improve the quality of life for area adolescents and young adults.

Operating at PHS since 1999, WOWY has grown from a program reaching just a dozen students to one that now serves more than 45 sophomores, juniors, and seniors.

"Word has gotten out on the success of our graduates and the recognition that WOWY participants make great strides academically and socially," stated program facilitator Nancy Sotomayor. For the second year in a row, every WOWY graduating senior enrolled in a college or university.

"Their reports back on the challenges and rewards of college life," added Ms. Sotomayor, "inspire and motivate the kids in the program and show them that higher education is an attainable goal."

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— Chip Klein, Newlin Road



"I'm Spanish, so for New Year's Eve, in Spain, traditionally you prepare 12 grapes for the 12 chimes for the 12 months of the year, and when you hear the 12 chimes of the church, you have to eat one grape at a time. Obviously, that's pretty hard to do, so it ends up being quite funny — a mouthful of grapes. That's one tradition that we will definitely be doing."

— Sylvia Lockhart, Pine Street



"I already celebrated a Hindu festival called Divali ... the Festival of Lights. I celebrate Thanksgiving as well and Christmas. I go down to my sister's house every Thanksgiving. [My daughter and my wife] will start shopping right after Thanksgiving. For Christmas, we go and spend a little time at each other's house and then the whole group will come over to my house. It's a whole big family gathering."

— Roy Hayban, Brickhouse Road



"Personally, I do not celebrate [Thanksgiving]. That we can have a day off from work, relax, ... that makes me really happy. I'm a Christian. I do really celebrate Christmas. Sometimes, I go to church and gather with the church members. We praise God and sing gospel songs ... and welcome the child, Jesus Christ."

— Khuma Theng, Pine Street

## United Way Accepting Proposals for Grants

United Way of Greater Mercer County (UWGM) is accepting funding proposals that will commence on January 1, 2004 and continue through December 31, 2006.

The deadline for applications is 12 p.m. on January 28, 2003.

UWGM is a community-based independent non-profit organization that sets its course based on the needs of our community.

Governed by committed local volunteers and managed by a professional staff, UWGM will be making grants to programs addressing one or more of the following four areas: basic needs;

health services; family supportive services, literacy, and job readiness; and substance abuse programs.

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Health and human service agencies interested in receiving an application for funding may contact UWGM by calling 637-4914 or by sending

a fax to 895-1245

## MCCC Ready to Unveil New Conference Center

The Conference Center at Mercer, a new high-tech facility set to open its doors on the West Windsor campus of Mercer County Community College (MCCC) on January 2, 2003, has already booked close to 200 events for the upcoming year.

According to General Manager Dee Rosebrock, reservations have come from businesses and governmental bodies looking for MCCC's combination of the very latest technology, professional meeting planners, training and development programs, and catered food services.

The Mercer County Surrogate's Office will hold the first conference at the new facility. Surrogate Diane Gerofsky said she chose the Conference Center at Mercer to host five upcoming meetings of the Constitutional Officers Association of New Jersey after looking at several options.

"The Center is well situated," said Ms. Gerofsky. "I saw the building under construction and it fits all our needs. Now we have the flexibility of being able to do more because the new center has the technology we are looking for."

Ms. Rosebrock said the state-of-the-art technology at the center is attracting the most attention. "There is very little like this in our immediate area, so we will be able to fill a definite need," she said.

The 38,000-square-foot facility will offer a 219-seat conference-style auditorium with individual laptop ports, five high-tech computer training labs, satellite teleconferencing, videoconferencing, webcasting, internet connectivity, and professional technical support.

Eight conference-style meeting and breakout rooms are designed for small to mid-sized groups. The atrium will serve as a setting for exhibits and social events.

Ms. Rosebrock sees high quality service as the key to success. "What will set us apart will be exceptional service," she said. "We are large enough to accommodate the biggest companies but small and flexible enough to give service that is customized to the client's needs."

Formerly assistant general manager of the Chauncey Conference Center in Princeton and director of the JFK Conference Center in Edison, Ms. Rosebrock is currently working with area hotels along the Route 1 corridor to establish partnerships for guest rooms so clients will be able to choose accommodations from a variety of rates. MCCC will also offer a wide range of training and development programs at the center through the resources of its division of corporate and community programs.

"We have been designing University of Medicine and Dentistry, the Mercer County Chamber of Commerce, the meeting planners, training agencies, and other Mercer County Economic Development Council and the Johnson and Johnson, the University of Medicine and Dentistry, the Mercer County Chamber of Commerce, the meeting planners, training agencies, and other Mercer County Economic Development Council and the

years," said division dean Hamilton Partnership, and manager of the Chauncey Conference Center in Princeton and director of the JFK Conference Center in Edison, Skilled facilitators and trainees will be available in areas such as strategic planning, executive leadership, customer service, and information technology. Clients will have the flexibility to design their own programs or use the college's program development services.

The facility will be open for tours in early December. For further information contact Dee Rosebrock at 689-0908 or visit [www.mccc.edu](http://www.mccc.edu).

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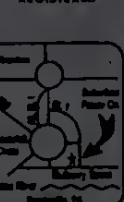
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## Officials Consider Management Of Recreation Department, Parks

After hearing a report from the Princeton Parks Task Force at a joint meeting of Borough Council and Township Committee last week, municipal officials voted to permit the Princeton Joint Recreation Board to retain spending oversight of its \$150,000 surplus fund.

"The Recreation Board should have the ability," stated Borough Council member Joseph O'Neill, "to react creatively to the demands Princeton residents place on them."

Some had maintained that the fund, established by the governing bodies in 1995, should be controlled by the municipalities.

According to Borough Councilman David Goldfarb, the board's discretionary power is "not appropriate" because other joint agencies are not able to exercise similar authority.

### Control of Spending

At issue was who should have final spending oversight of a revolving trust reserve account. Created for end-of-year profits that are generated by a variety of Recreation Department facilities and programs — primarily the public pool — the fund has been controlled by the Recreation Board.

The board has used the surplus money as a one-year reserve to ensure the continuation of its programs in the event of unforeseen spending needs or emergencies, such as a pool shutdown from drought.

"This particular fund is often drawn upon to maintain the quality-of-life programs we in Princeton look forward to," said Mike Finkelstein, chair of the Recreation Board.

In its July proposal, the board stated that the surplus fund would continue to be maintained at approximately \$150,000, including about \$80,000 to operate the department for a year in the event of a pool shutdown and approximately \$60,000 for other short-term capital projects.

According to the proposal, which was approved at last week's meeting, all spending decisions by the board will continue to be available for municipalities to review by the governing bodies, and any capital projects and care of open space.

exceeding \$17,500 will need approval by both Borough Parsons said, "you can imagine what problems can arise if the properties are not maintained and overseen properly, actively, and professionally."

In related news, the Princeton Parks Task Force recommended at last week's meeting that officials of the two municipalities restructure the Joint Recreation Department into the Joint Recreation and Parks Department and create a parks manager position to oversee the municipal park space, which comprises 36 parkland sites and 1,138 acres within the two municipalities.

### New Position

The task force proposed the creation of a parks manager position. That individual, who would be assigned as a member of the Princeton Environmental Commission, would have broad responsibilities for park oversight and management.

He or she would care for and manage the areas of publicly owned open space within the two Princetons, promote the use of natural resources for citizens' education and enjoyment, publicize and encourage the use and maintenance of privately owned but publicly accessible open space, coordinate the efforts of community volunteers, develop grant applications, and manage the parks through the adopt-a-park program.

According to Mr. Parsons, the proposed parks manager position and its administrative assistant would cost approximately \$100,000 annually.

As an indication of the community's interest in open space management, he stated that the voting records for the referenda that approved the open space tax in both municipalities passed by "very large majorities."

"In our minds," he stated, "that underscores the citizens' endorsement and approval of the park acquisitions you have made, but also it implies that they expect these investments to be maintained properly. These are minimal costs versus the \$154 million land value."

Princeton Township Administrator James Pascale said that the decision whether or not to accept the proposal will be made during the upcoming 2003 budget talks within the two municipalities.

—David McNutt



**FIGHTING FOR CURES:** The group of women who will gather at a Griggstown barn to compile holiday solicitations for the New Jersey affiliate of the Foundation for Fighting Blindness include, in back from left, Marilyn Friedman, Liz Fernandez, Elly Szymanski, Ruth Scott, Nancy Knipe, and Jan Tregoe, and, in front from left, Michelle Sibeud, Liura Gund, Sue Jaques, and Gail Barrows.

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1/4 tsp. cracked black pepper  
Fresh basil, to your taste  
1/2 cup part skim mozzarella cheese



In large sauté pan heat oil over medium high heat. Dredge pork chops in flour, shake off excess. Add pork to the sauté pan, cook for 3 minutes on each side, making sure not to burn. Remove pork from pan and sauté the onions, peppers, and garlic for 5 minutes. Add pork back to the pan. Add tomatoes, breaking them apart in the pan. Add basil, and cook on medium low for 30 minutes, be sure there is a simmer, do not rapid boil. Add salt and pepper to your taste. Remove from heat, top with cheese and cover. Let stand for 5 minutes until cheese melts. Serve with any type of rice or risotto.

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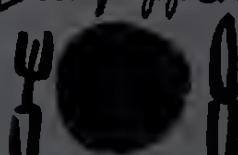
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### MCCC to Initiate Degree Program with PSE&G

A new associate in applied science degree program in utility technology was recently announced by Mercer County Community College (MCCC) and Public Service Electric & Gas (PSEG).

The program will address a coming shortage of technicians in the field. It is the first of its kind in New Jersey and may be expanded to other community colleges within the state.

"Through this innovative and unique collaboration with MCCC, we will begin to address a growing need to develop a skilled and diverse workforce for future careers within the electric and gas utilities industry," said Dr. Ralph Izzo, senior vice president for utility operations at PSEG. "We believe this focused partnership will help meet the needs of New Jersey's students and our business."

The utility technology program will include course work in math, science, utility technology, electrical construction, and utility installations. During the summer, qualified students will receive apprenticeship training from PSEG instructors at the company's Edison training center.

Those completing the apprenticeship training could then earn more than \$13 an hour in summer internship programs with PSEG. The program will not only prepare students for a career, but it will also offer them flexibility for continuing their education. Students will be able to begin the program in the January 2003 semester.

"This pairing of PSEG, one of New Jersey's best corporate citizens, and MCCC, one of the state's best county colleges, will provide immeasurable benefits," said county executive Robert Prunetti, "to both area students and the Mercer County companies who are looking for the skilled workforce they need."

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The McPhee sisters will be at the University Store, 3rd floor at 36 University Place, just off Nassau Street. Free parking is available directly across the street. For more information, call 921-8500, ext. 255 or visit the U-Store website at [www.pustore.com](http://www.pustore.com).

Chief of Lenape Nation Visits Princeton Academy

Chief William "Whippoorwill" Thompson of the Lenape Nation and his wife Diane visited Princeton Academy of the Sacred Heart on November 20 to present a program on storytelling and dance to second and third grade boys.

Interested in passing on their heritage and respect for the earth to the next generation, the Thompsons agreed

to give one of only a few school presentations they are still able to give each year to the boys at Princeton Academy.

The boys listened to Lenape legends, sang Lenape songs, and learned a Native American dance. They also examined a collection of animal skins and practiced using traditional drums and rattles.

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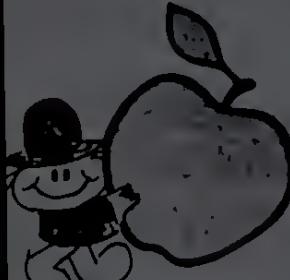
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### Princeton Library to Host Acclaimed Storyteller

Storyteller Jim Weiss will weave his tales in a presentation at Princeton Public Library on Saturday, December 7 at 2 p.m.

Winner of more than 65 national awards for his recordings of classic and original stories, Mr. Weiss has been telling stories for more than 25 years.

"Weiss' ear for dramatic tension, his versatility in creating characters and his flawless storyteller's rhythms work magic," wrote Parents' Choice Foundation. "Even adults will find it difficult not to be caught up in the spell."

In addition to his nine Parents' Choice Awards, Mr. Weiss has been honored by the American Library Association, Parents' Council Ltd., the Film Advisory Board, School Library Journal, Storytelling World, Parenting magazine and AudioFile magazine.

Mr. Weiss appeared as host and storyteller in a PBS television pilot that won a Northern California Emmy Award for Best Children's Show, and he has performed at the White House during the annual Easter celebration.

His award-winning titles include "Sherlock Holmes for Children," "The Jungle Book," "Arabian Nights," "King Arthur and his Knights" and "Galileo and the New Jersey Department of Stargazers." His most recent releases are "The Queen's one of approximately 400 Pirate: Queen Elizabeth I and Sir Francis Drake" and "The Prince and the Pauper."

Copies of selected recordings will be available for purchase and signing following Mr. Weiss' performance.

"We're honored to be hosting Jim Weiss," said Jan Johnson, manager of the library's youth services department. "We have many of his fine recordings in our collection and they have remained very popular with our young patrons throughout the years. We're looking forward to having him here to tell his stories in person."

Registration is required for Mr. Weiss' appearance. Preference will be given to Princeton Public Library cardholders.

Those without cards will be placed on a waiting list and notified by phone of availability. To register, call 924-9529, ext. 240, visit the youth services desk, or write to [justaff@princetonlibrary.org](mailto:justaff@princetonlibrary.org).

The event is one of the many library programs made possible through funds donated by the Friends of the Princeton Public Library. All library programs are detailed in "@ your library," the newsletter and program guide available throughout the library.

Princeton Public Library is temporarily located in Princeton Shopping Center at 301 North Harrison Street. Special assistance is available for library patrons with disabilities. Those with special needs should contact the library 48 hours before any program to arrange for accommodations. For more information, call 924-9529 or visit [www.princetonlibrary.org](http://www.princetonlibrary.org).



**NAP TIME:** Marlene Hingstman of Ewing examines rugs by Crooked Creek Creations. (Photo by Rebecca Blackwell)

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**THE CRAFTER'S ART:** Lambertville weaver Susan Nadelson explains yarn-making to Montgomery High School students Lily Li, left, and Ramya Takkelapati, at the Crafters' Marketplace in Princeton Day School on Sunday. The annual two-day market, which benefits the YWCA Princeton's Pearl Bates Scholarship Fund, featured the work of more than 150 crafters from the region.

(Photo by Rebecca Blackwell)

### Federal Inspectors Approve Merwick Unit

Merwick, the long-term care and rehabilitation unit of the Medical Center at Princeton located at 79 Bayard Lane, recently underwent a combined state and federal

survey of its facility, resident satisfaction, and care practices.

The annual, unannounced survey was conducted by the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services, releases are "The Queen's one of approximately 400

Pirate: Queen Elizabeth I and Sir Francis Drake" and "The Prince and the Pauper."

"It is our mission to provide the highest quality care in a healthy, home like, well-run environment," said Catherine M. Kelly, Merwick's director

complete, on-site licensure and Medicare/Medicaid certification inspections it performs each year.

The extensive survey of Merwick found no deficiencies in any of the many areas reviewed.

"It is our mission to provide the highest quality care in a healthy, home like, well-run environment," said Catherine M. Kelly, Merwick's director

of patient care services. "This mission is something our staff here live and believe in every single day. We were so successful because of the ongoing, dedicated, integrated team efforts of each of Merwick's staff."

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## MAIL BOX

**Many Local Organizations Contributed To Seventh Annual Bilingual Health Fair**

To the Editor:

We were pleased that Town Topics printed several excellent photos of the 7th annual bilingual Health Fair hosted by Community Park School on November 16, 2002 and attended by 500 people. However, while you mentioned the Medical Center at Princeton, you omitted the Hispanic American Medical Association and the Latin American Task Force, which co-sponsor this event and without whose enormous efforts it would not be possible to collect the donations which support the fair or to obtain the services and collaboration of the many, many agencies and individuals who participate. Indeed, this Health Fair is an extraordinary example of collaboration and dedication among a growing number of health-related organizations, to help provide the health services that too many members of our community are unable to obtain otherwise.

As chair of the Latin American Task Force and co-sponsor of the Health Fair, I would like to acknowledge, in addition to the wide range of testing and screening generously provided by the Medical Center, the medical consulting and testing services of the Hispanic American Medical Association, Henry J. Austin Health Center, New Jersey Commission for the Blind, and the Princeton Osteoporosis Center.

Many other organizations and programs whose work directly supports the bilingual community provided information and counseling, including Corner House, Crisis Ministry

HiTops, Child Health Environmental Coalition, Womanspace, American Cancer Society, Community Action Service Center, Department of Environmental Protection, Ask a Lawyer, Division of Youth and Family Services, Prevent Child Abuse, Princeton Borough Police, Princeton Health Department, Princeton Public Library, and many others.

The final, and essential, element in this bilingual Health Fair were the skilled and dedicated faculty and student Spanish-English translators from The College of New Jersey and Princeton University, and many other individuals who helped the Latin American Task Force staff this event.

Princeton can be proud to be the host of a dynamic and efficient Health Fair which is a model of collaborative effort and provides a much-needed and widely-appreciated community service.

HANA MUZIKA KAHN,  
Chair, Latin American Task Force

**The Arts Council Thanks Those Who Endorsed Its Many Programs**

To the Editor:

Fall is always an eventful time at the Arts Council, and this fall was livelier than ever. Within only six days, we offered to our community at no charge three rousing events. As always, we are indebted to the numerous individuals who enhanced these programs in invaluable ways.

On Sunday, October 27, the Arts Council hosted a Korean cultural festival in conjunction with "Princeton Reads." This year's selected book was Chang-rae Lee's *Native Speaker*, and the festival was intended to foster participants' connection to and understanding of the book and Korean traditions.

Over 150 people attended this free festival, and we are delighted to publicly thank those who contributed to its remarkable success: Princeton resident Julie Kim and members of the Princeton Korean Church for decorating with gorgeous Korean artifacts; Nassau Bagel and Sushi at 179 Nassau Street and Korean residents for donating bountiful Korean refreshments; Kiran Paek and the Princeton Korean Dance Troupe for performing a variety of traditional dances in breathtaking costumes; and students of Westminster Choir College for performing Korean folksongs and piano compositions.

On the following Wednesday, October 30, the Arts Council hosted its annual Hometown Halloween Parade. Despite the soggy weather, 150 spirited adults and children arrived in costume to parade through the streets of Princeton.

The Arts Council extends its gratitude to Palmer Square Management and to Lynn Howard and the staff at the Nassau Inn for resolutely offering refreshments to the marchers. Also, special thank you's to Mayors Marchand and Reed; the Princeton University Marching Band — who played in the rain right through to the end, and whose cheerful music warmed us all; Quillen Rosen and her dedicated volunteers from Princeton High; Mercer Engine #3; and Princeton Borough Police for their help in leading the parade.

Two days later, on Friday, November 1, the Arts Council hosted its third annual *El Dia de los Muertos* ("Day of the Dead") celebration. As thrilling as it is to host the event is the opportunity to collaborate with so many gifted local artists, institutions, and businesses who contribute in countless ways.

We want to thank particularly Princeton University's Latin American Studies Program for its financial support; Chevy's Fresh Mex Restaurant, the Whole Earth Center, Wild Oats Market, and McCaffrey's for contributions of fine Mexican cuisine; artists Heather Barros, Heladia Cruz, Kate Germond, Jeffrey Henkel, Deborah Land, Arlene Milgram, and Libby Ramage for creating the glorious altars in the gallery; John Burkhalter and Rocio Sanchez for storytelling and demonstrating pre-Columbian musical instruments; Maria Moreno and her actors, who performed an original "Day of the Dead" play; Eduardo Fernandez and his zealous students from Montgomery High; and, again, Quillen Rosen and her eager corps of volunteers from Princeton High.

Finally, we cannot forget to thank the community for its interest in and support of these three events and the multitude of Arts Council programs held throughout the year.

JANET STERN

Program Director, Arts Council of Princeton

**MAILBOX CORRESPONDENTS:**

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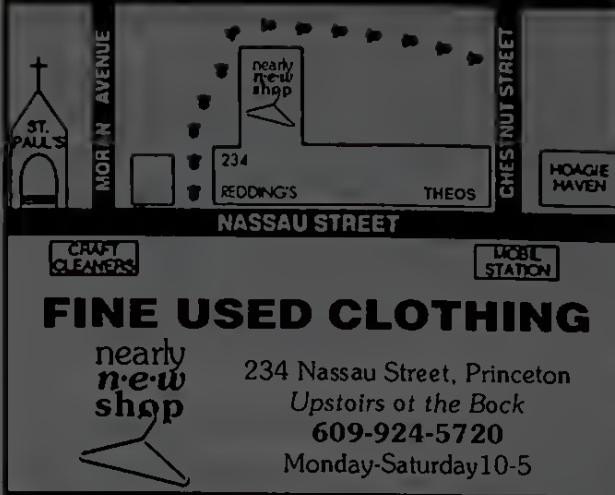
- ...the development is too complicated for citizens to vote on intelligently—*Councilman David Goldfarb*
- ...a purpose of building the apartments is to hide the garage—*Councilwoman Wendy Benchley*
- ...the Council is listening to all sides [but the press all but calls it a done deal]—*Councilman Joe O'Neill*
- ...there is no legal requirement to put the issue on a referendum no matter the level of public opposition to it—*Mayor Marvin Reed*

**PRINCETONIANS, ARE YOU CONCERNED? DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS?**

- Only *Councilman Roger Martindell* is open to the peoples concerns and alternatives: ...the project "does not produce sufficient public benefit." "The project is too big...the sheer size changes the character...from small town into something like Trenton or New Brunswick." "the development imposes vast burdens on the Borough merchants and neighborhoods...will impose new traffic burdens on an already congested downtown." "will yield very few new parking places."

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## Governing Bodies Should Have the Freedom To Take Chances, Make Mistakes in Planning

To the Editor:

As we approach December 17 and the vote on whether to construct the proposed \$13.5 million downtown complex, it might be well for partisans in the debate to back off for a minute. It might be well for all involved to have a hard look at where each of us is coming from.

For those of us who have been around for a few years, the controversy over the building of the library back in the 1950s was rather heated. After all the Bainbridge House on Nassau Street was said to be small but cozy; there was no cause to be extravagant and build a great monster of a library on Witherspoon Street to replace Bainbridge House.

And so it is today. The library is too big; the parking garage is a monster; the stores will never be rented and the apartments are questionable.

May I suggest that an unease with change may be at the bottom of the opposition to the planned rethinking of downtown.

May I suggest, too, that the governing bodies be given the freedom to make mistakes. The planning function has been careful and deliberate. All shades of opinion have been expressed and heard. My guess is that the end result will be reasonably satisfactory. Please remember that Edgar Palmer took a lot of chances with his vision for Palmer Square.

DAVID REEVES  
Snowden Lane

## It is a Conflict of Interest for Town To Borrow Money to Build a Garage

To the Editor:

According to the 2000 census, Princeton has the highest number of people who walk to work of any New Jersey municipality. Yet, many sidewalks are in dangerously bad condition. There is no publicly provided bicycle rack downtown. So why is the Borough building a garage?

Special tax abatement powers intended to revitalize economically depressed areas should not be used in Princeton where real estate values are skyrocketing. This is using waived school and county taxes to subsidize private development.

This project is moving forward causally on the heels of an election where the Republicans neither fielded Council candidates, nor supported the two anti-garage independents who did offer voters a choice. Consequently, the incumbent Democrats could duck debates. Now that the pre-election misinformation about the need for voter approval of the bonds has been rectified, Councilman Goldfarb can cite the lopsided vote as a mandate for the project. Q.E.D.

It is a conflict of interest for the governing body to borrow money to build a garage. To keep the garage filled, the council will use its street regulation powers, as has West Windsor for the railroad Parking Authority bonds, to ensure that alternative parking is scarce, rather than plentiful.

In the end, this will bankrupt the Borough by forcing both businesses and motorists to go to the free parking at The Market Fair and Nassau Park, respectively a short 12 and 19 minute bus ride from Palmer Square, leaving the Borough's taxpayers to foot the bill.

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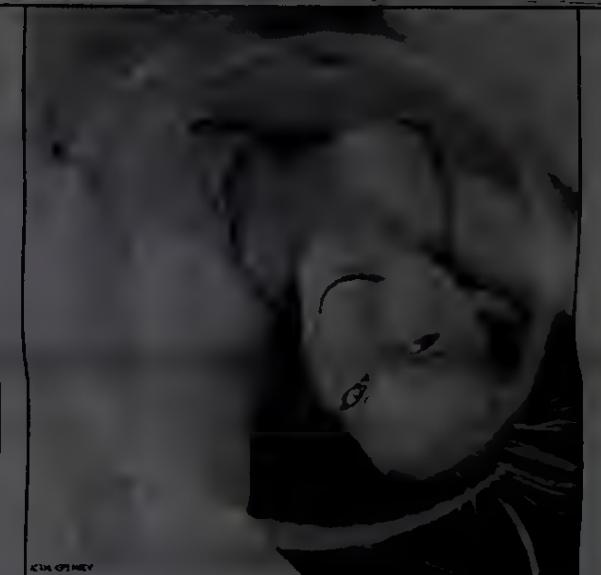
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## BIG MULTI-STORY GARAGES ARE NOT USER-FRIENDLY!

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- Merchants object that you're forced into the 5½-story garage for all your short-term needs. This is bad for all business, bad for the public.
- Princeton Future is NOT the voice of the people. 281 different people attended 10 different neighborhood meetings. Excluding Township, Princeton Future, Borough and University officials, only 116 were Borough residents, 46 of whom signed the protest petition.
- Concerned Citizens is the voice. It's non-political. Of 700 petition signers, 42% are Democrats, 24% Republicans, 34% Unaffiliated.
- THE HOBLER SURVEY (sent to 20% of all Borough households and 9% of all Township households with an extraordinary 48% response—640 in all):
  - 72% either wanted the project entirely revised (29%) or abandoned (43%)
  - 73% said the Borough should not move forward without a total community survey
  - 67% say the garage will negatively impact on the character of downtown Princeton
  - 53% have concerns about using a multistory garage and 68% of all women do not like to use garages at night.

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20 Substantial Number of Citizens Oppose  
Changing the Character of the Town

To the Editor:

A substantial number of citizens in our town opposed a plan for dramatically changing the educational residential character of our Town. The proposed development of a central shopping district with a dense housing section and a giant parking garage in our central area represented a change that many oppose.

These citizens who opposed the plan gathered a substantial number of signatures requesting that the elected officials poll our citizens to find out how we the residents felt about the plan. The idea was to determine whether this opposing view was not just a small group of perennial protesters. The request for a polling of our citizens was in the true spirit of democracy.

Our elected officials should have thought that there was a possibility that this opposition to our plan was a broadly held sentiment. A believer in some of the fundamental principles of the founders of our nation would say, "Let us ask them to see if they support our plan by conducting a simple referendum."

Instead the Borough Council chose to totally ignore the petition. It gets much worse.

Since the project involves the expenditure of a very large sum of Borough money, bonds would have to be issued. To avoid the possibility that the citizens could turn down an \$11 million bond issue to build parking spaces at \$21,000 each, the council cooked up a plan worthy of the Enron folks. A plan to keep the cost of the garage off the books by eliminating taxes on this new downtown development and assigning payments in lieu of taxes by the developer to the project.

This bookkeeping sleight of hand, fits in perfectly with the current fake business practices that many corporations have adopted.

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Princeton Caterer Regrets Misprint  
Of Incorrect Phone Number

To the Editor:

Alix and I were thrilled with the "New to Us" article that appeared on our catering business, Jayson Michaels Intimate Dining, in last week's issue of Town Topics. We were anticipating our phone to ring off the hook with the busy holiday season, but unfortunately our phone number was printed incorrectly. We want to apologize to those who may have tried to reach us and hope that you will make note of our correct phone number, 430-8343. We look forward to serving the Princeton community with our fine cuisine.

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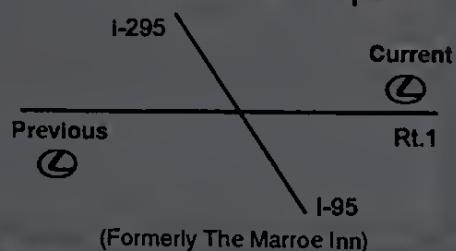


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## Rail Station of Princeton Junction Needs Escalator for the Handicapped

To the Editor:

Seeing that Princeton is contemplating building a \$13.5 million garage and plaza, I would like to propose taking a fraction of that sum to put in a modest escalator on the steps under the tracks at Princeton Junction. The steps are difficult for elderly and handicapped people and a nuisance for anyone carrying luggage. I see Metuchen is improving its station and putting in elevators; Princeton's handicapped need a way to cross the tracks too.

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## THE PUBLIC SPEAKS OUT IN LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

- "the garage has become Garage Mahal" - *Mary Stange*
- "the council hearings are an undemocratic manner in moving the process forward" - *Miriam Yevick*
- "existing garages are never filled and many spaces are taken by downtown employees...the complex is an aesthetic blunder" - *Patrick Walsh*
- "our stores became less accessible by getting rid of short term parking; the proposed garage would ruin our business." - *5 Borough Merchants*
- "the actual net parking gain will not solve the problem. . .something more Princeton-scale can be built, an expandable deck...." - *Henry Landau*
- "if revenues fall short of projections, Princeton will drive out its many middle-income citizens and seniors on fixed incomes" - *Judith Budwig*
- "Council should not interpret Princeton Future's findings as the 'will of the people'" - *Jim Firestone*
- "keep Princeton a small historic town as recommended by the Historical Society." - *Peggy Bernard*
- "the most expensive and expansive project in my 48 years in Princeton, the first and foremost query about the new square is, 'Why wasn't a referendum considered'" - *Virginia J. Farrell*

• "IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO CHANGE A MISTAKE...CURRENT DEVELOPMENT DOWNTOWN SHOULD BE HALTED." - *John Timoney*

THE BOROUGH OFFICIALS HAVE NO MANDATE ON THIS DEVELOPMENT—THEY DO NOT SPEAK FOR THE PEOPLE  
DEMAND ALTERNATIVES FROM COUNCIL! ATTEND THE COUNCIL MEETING ON DECEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup> @ 7:30

## Princeton Video

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The library rents video and DVD feature movies for \$1 each day and documentaries and non-fiction videos for \$1 each week. Princeton Video rents its new releases on video and DVD at \$3.50 for three days and older features at \$3 for five days.

At the end of 2001, the library's collection included 4,103 videos and 476 DVDs. Currently, it holds 4,347 videos and 866 DVDs, roughly half of what Princeton Video offers.

For Leslie Burger, the director of the library, video rentals fall within the purpose of a public library.

### Mission

"Our mission is to provide resources in all formats for the public to fulfill its information needs," she said, "whether that is through reading, keeping up with current culture, or being entertained."

"If a book store was to come to us," asked Ms. Burger, "and say, 'You're offering best sellers that our customers would otherwise buy,' and then ask us to stop checking out books because it was hurting their business, what would our response be in that situation? This is an expected part of what we do."

In Aaron Cane's eyes, however, the analogy does not hold.

"People go to a book store to buy books, not check them out," responded Mr. Cane. "Those are two totally different situations. The library has become a nice-sized video store."

Ms. Burger noted that the library's circulation of videos and DVDs has dropped by 10 percent within the last year, though she did not attribute it to any one cause, including library patrons' use of Princeton Video.

In an effort to accommodate Princeton Video when first relocating to the shopping center, library officials verbally agreed to delay its purchase of new feature film releases by three months.

Accordingly, the library has not, stated Ms. Burger, purchased any new feature film releases since September. Any decision to alter the library's policy on its video and DVD rental must come through its board of trustees.

"It's a question of how to accommodate them," stated Ms. Burger, "now that we are competing with them."

Video and DVD rentals have been a significant portion of the library's revenue.

The total operating budget for the library in 2002, according to Ms. Burger, is \$2.95 million. It receives more than \$2.4 million, or roughly 82 percent of its budget, from the Borough and the Township and approximately \$235,000 from the Friends of Princeton Public Library. Another \$210,000 comes from sources of general revenue, including late fees, copying fees, and video and DVD rentals.

"We have other competition in town," said Mr. Cane, "but being in competition with the library just isn't fair."

At last week's meeting, Township officials expressed sympathy with the co-owners of Princeton Video, but did not take any formal action.

"This is a temporary problem," said Township Mayor Phyllis Marchand, who serves on the library's board of trustees.

"I am hopeful," added Township Committee member Casey Hegener, "that we can do something to help you."

"We have been a part of the community for 14 years," said Martin Cane at the meeting. "We'd like to stay in the community for another 14 years."

—David McNutt

### Stuart Country Day's Building Plans Progress

Stuart Country Day School of the Sacred Heart recently announced the completion of a \$5.2 million New Jersey Economic Development Authority Revenue Bond issue that will be used by the school in its construction of additional classroom, locker room, and arts facilities.

"We are pleased to utilize tax-exempt interest rate financing through the New Jersey Economic Development Authority program as part of our overall financial plan," said Gene Podsiadlo, chair of Stuart's finance committee.

Stuart embarked on a three-year capital campaign beginning in 2000 to fund significant new additions to its 39-year old campus along Stuart and Great roads in Princeton.

"We are closing in on our campaign goal, and, with just a little more help, we hope we can achieve the dream of completing all of our building plans for Stuart," stated Headmistress Sister Frances de la Chapelle.

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serves 550 female students in grades pre-kindergarten through grade 12. For more information, call 921-2330.

### Dorothea's House to Host Talk on Restoring Frescos

"Picking Up the Pieces: The Story of the Ovetari Chapel in Padua" will be the topic of a program at Dorothea's House, 120 John Street, on Sunday, December 8, at 5 p.m. by Italian writer and journalist Ilaria Dagnini Brey.

After being destroyed by bombs in 1944, frescos from the Ovetari Chapel in Padua, painted by Renaissance artist Andrea Mantegna, are now being restored.

Ms. Dagnini Brey, who has written for various Italian magazines and newspapers, will talk about the restoration efforts, which are led by faculty of the University of Padua.

The program is free to the public. Those attending are invited to bring a refreshment to share at the reception following the talk.



**ROCKINGHAM PROGRESSES:** A new 60 foot bridge leading from the parking lot into the woods and to the Visitors Center at Rockingham was set in place recently. The bridge is intended to be a link from the present era of computers and automobiles to 18th century colonial life. The addition of the 18th century kitchen wing and restoration is ahead of schedule. When complete the site will house a milk room. The open hearth for demonstration of Colonial cooking and baking is already framed and closed in. Red oak beams, replicated from those used in the late 18th century when the original wing was built are in place and will be exposed in the architectural design.

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- A plan that values our Town's character and integrity should be Princeton-scale—not mid-rises that make us feel like New Brunswick.
- The other downtown garages are never full. Electronic street displays through out downtown could direct drivers to available spaces
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**QUILT RAFFLE:** A handmade quilt stitched by Trinity Church parishioners will be raffled during the St. Nicholas Bazaar on December 7, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Only 100 raffle tickets are available at \$10. The Bazaar will also feature numerous other items including gingerbread houses, topiaries, antiques and china silent auction, and gently used holiday attire. Pictured left to right, Jeri Dunham, Connie Garber and Sylvia Temmer.

## CLUBS

The **Piano Teachers' Forum** will meet on Friday, December 6, in Pennington. The meeting will feature Dr. Carol Gingerich who will present *Ensemble Playing: A Revealing Partnership*. Through an exploration of the 2003 Piano Teachers' Forum syllabus of ensemble repertoire, Dr. Gingerich will demonstrate how performing together as partners can reveal specific elements of the four style periods and encourage the growth of musicianship skills.

Dr. Gingerich is currently assistant professor of piano/piano pedagogy at the State University of West Georgia where she teaches undergraduate and graduate students in the piano performance/pedagogy program. She holds a doctorate from Columbia University Teachers College and has received degrees from Westminster Choir College and the University of Western Ontario. She has extensive experience teaching

piano, piano pedagogy, and theory at the Westminster Conservatory of Music, Rider University and elsewhere.

The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. with coffee and an informal conversation time. The scheduled program begins promptly at 10. For directions and more information about The Piano Teachers' Forum, call Lois Bitler, 587-8313

The **Princeton Singles** will host a canal walk and luncheon Saturday, December 7, beginning at 10 a.m.

Seniors age 55 and older are invited to meet at the Winepress Restaurant, 4484 State Highway 27 in Kingston. There is no charge except for lunch, which is optional.

For information, call 896-1170.

Seniors are also invited to meet for breakfast at 9 a.m. on Friday, December 13, at Friendly's Restaurant on Route 206 in Montgomery.

There is no charge except for the meal.

For breakfast reservations or more information call (908) 369-5208.

## Eden Institute to Make "Dreams" Come True

The 15th annual Eden Dreams white-tie dinner will be held on Saturday, January 18, 2003 at the Hyatt Regency Princeton from 7 p.m. to 12 a.m.

This year's event, themed "Dreams of Teatro alla Scala," will include a Dream Search, a puzzle where guests decipher clues in order to win a prize; a cocktail hour; a silent auction; and dinner and dancing.

Tickets are \$300 per person with sponsorship opportunities available. All proceeds will benefit the programs and services of the Eden Institute Foundation.

Since 1975, the Eden Family of Services has provided life-span services for children and adults with autism — a lifelong developmental disability that severely affects communication, social behavior, and learning — as well as support and assistance for their families. For more information, call 987-0099 or visit [www.edenservices.org](http://www.edenservices.org).

1946: The bikini is banned in Biarritz. Bing Crosby sings "Blue Skies," and TOWN TOPICS begins publication

## CHESSforum

There are numerous debates going on in the chess world these days. The one that has affected me the most is the setup of the Pirc Defense. As black, I used to play the Sicilian Defense, dragon variation when I'd fianchetto my bishop on g7.

I was very happy with this defense for a long time, recognizing that with the "dragon bishop" I could gain some attacking chances on the queenside. Then I utilized it in tournaments. In the past few months it seems as though the children are learning that if they see ...Bg7, they are to immediately play h4-h5.

I tried many different defenses using the same ...Bg7 move including the Modern Defense, the Pirc Defense, and other Sicilian Variations, but found that I wasn't doing any better.

This week's featured game is a great example of how to play both against and with the fianchettoed bishop. When this game was played Kasparov was the reigning world champion and his tactical and positional play absolutely vouch for that. If one inducts the use of ...Bg7, he or she will most likely be attacked on the kingside. There are a few logical tips that emanate from this fact.

The person behind the black pieces should (1) wait as long as possible before castling the king and (2) attack the opponent in the center of the board. If the latter doesn't serve its intentional purpose, at least it will distract the opponent.

However, all hope is not lost. A new variation of the Sicilian Defense has recently been popularized. The Super Accelerated Dragon variation attempts to achieve a similar setup as the other defenses I've mentioned, but does so one tempo faster. The following are the moves to the main line. If you are contemplating using this defense, it is important that you learn the side lines too, however.

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 g6 5.Nc3 Bg7 6.Bc3 Nf6 7.Bc4 Qa5 8.0-0 0-0 9.Bb3 d6 10.h3 Bd7 11.f4 Qh5 12.Nf3 b5 13.a3 a5 14.Qd3 b4



Solution at bottom

15.axb4 axb4 16.Rxa8 Rxa8 17.Ne2 Qa5=.

Careful study of this week's game will guarantee you a better understanding of this positional setup and will help you to employ this defense more effectively.

—Chad Lieberman

Kasparov, G. - Topalov, V. Wijk-aan-Zee, Holland 1999

1.e4	d6
2.d4	Nf6
3.Nc3	g6
4.Bc3	Bg7
5.Qd2	c6
6.h3	b5
7.Nge2	Nbd7
8.Bh6	Bxh6
9.Qxh6	Bb7
10.a3	e5
11.0-0-0	Qe7
12.Kb1	a6
13.Nc1	0-0-0
14.Nb3	exd4
15.Rxd4	c5
16.Rd1	Nb6
17.g3	Kb8
18.Na5	Ba8
19.Bh3	d5
20.Qf4+	Ka7
21.Rh1	d4
22.Nd5	Nbx5
23.exd5	Qd6
24.Rxd4	cx4
25.Re7+	Kb6
26.Qxd4+	Kxa5
27.b4+	Ka4
28.Qc3	Qxd5
29.Ra7	Bb7
30.Rxb7	Qc4
31.Qxf6	Kxa3
32.Qxa6+	Kxb4
33.c3+	Kxc3
34.Qa1+	Kd2
35.Qb2+	Kd1
36.Bf1	Rd2
37.Rd7	Rxd7
38.Bxc4	bx4
39.Qxh8	Rd3
40.Qa8	c3
41.Qa4+	Ke1
42.f4	f5
43.Kc1	Rd2
44.Qa7	Black Resigns

1.Qa1! 2.Qh8#  
Solution K8



**LUNCHEON PLANNERS:** Helen Sangster, left, and Doris Mapes are co-chairs for the Dogwood Garden Club annual holiday luncheon, to be held December 5 at Cherry Valley Country Club. Cathy Miller, author and floral designer, will demonstrate holiday decorations at the event. Proceeds support scholarships for Mercer County Community College horticultural students. For information, call (609) 921-3165.

**SENIOR CITIZENS CALENDAR**Wednesday, November 27 • Wednesday, December 4  
Information Provided by Senior Resource Center, 924-7108**SENIOR RESOURCE CENTER** at Spruce Circle (Spruce) and  
**SUZANNE PATTERSON CENTER** (SPaC), on Monument Drive.  
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10:30 a.m. Let's Talk; Redding Circle.  
2:00 p.m. Classic Jazz: Origins & Artists; 1079 Stuart Road.  
3:00 p.m. Let's Talk Too! Spruce Circle.**Monday, December 2:**11:15 a.m. Chair Exercise; Spruce Circle.  
1:30 p.m. The Wonder of Wordplay (last class); Redding Circle.  
3:30 p.m. Strength Training; Elm Court.**Tuesday, December 3:**10:00 a.m. Tai Chi; Acorn Glen.  
10:00 a.m. Camus & Kafka (last class); Clay Street Learning Center.  
11:00 a.m. Intermediate Spanish; Spruce Circle.  
12 noon: Beginners Spanish; Spruce Circle.  
12:30 p.m. Social Bridge; Borough Hall Lunch Room.  
1:00 p.m. The Victorian Era with George Ingenbrandt; Spruce Circle.  
1:00 p.m. Contemporary Dilemmas (last session); Medical Center at Princeton.  
6:00 p.m. Bingo; Spruce Circle.**Wednesday, December 4:**10:00 a.m. Islam in the 20th Century (last session); Clay Street Learning Center.  
10:30 a.m. Let's Talk; Redding Circle.  
2:00 p.m. Classic Jazz: Origins & Artists (last session); 1079 Stuart Road.  
3:00 p.m. Let's Talk Too! Spruce Circle.**Princeton Community Television  
TV30A Schedule**

Following is a portion of the TV30A Princeton Community Television program schedule for Wednesday, November 27, through Wednesday, December 4.

• Spooky Movies: see a couple of classic Horror movies (originally broadcast on Public Access in Virginia during the week of Thanksgiving 2000) Wednesday to Sunday at 1 p.m. and 10:45 p.m.

• The Voyages of Christopher Columbus by John V. Fleming, Louis W. Fairchild Professor of English, Princeton University (lecture #4, Fall 2002 series: "Voyages That Changed The World: New Perspectives") Wednesday to Sunday at 4; Thursday, Saturday, Sunday at 8 p.m.

• Lessons &amp; Carols, Produced by Princeton Theological Seminary with Seminary singers, recorded in Miller Chapel Wednesday to Sunday at 6 p.m.

• A New Thought: "Our Identity in Spirit" produced by the Religious Science Church of Princeton Thursday to Sunday at 7 p.m.

• RealFaith TV, "Donor Sabbath Program" - series for teenagers by The Roman Catholic Diocese of Trenton Thursday to Sunday at 7:30 p.m.

• A FISTFUL OF P'O'P'C'Q'R'N, Princeton's in-depth movie "Spited Provocations" featuring "Spited Andy", "The Secretary" and "Bowling for Columbine"

Wednesday, Friday, Sunday at 8 p.m.

• Writers Workshop, Wednesday to Sunday at 9 p.m.

• MEET THE MAYOR, Wednesday at 7 p.m.

• Cafe Improv, Part 1 of 11/23/2002 show

Daily Monday to Wednesday 4 at 2 p.m. and 10 p.m.

• The Eye of the Beholder: Shackleton, Scott, Amundsen and Quest for the Pole by Kemp Battle, Lecturer of Polar Exploration, Academy of Natural Sciences (lecture #5, Fall 2002 series: "Voyages That Changed The World: New Perspectives") Monday to Wednesday at 4; Monday, Friday at 7:30 p.m.

• Carols of Many Nations, Produced by Princeton Theological Seminary with Seminary singers, recorded in Miller Chapel Monday to Wednesday 4 at 5:30 p.m.

• RealFaith TV, Making the Grade: Pressure to Do Well in School, series for teenagers by The Roman Catholic Diocese of Trenton, Monday to Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. (except Wednesday)

• WZBN ESPANOL, program 5 Monday to Wednesday 4 and 7 p.m. (except Wednesday)

• A FISTFUL OF P'O'P'C'Q'R'N, Princeton's in-depth "Obsessions" — featuring "Auto Focus", "Punch-Drunk Love", and "Frida" Tuesday, Wednesday, at 8 p.m.

• Writers Workshop - Conversation with Edmund "Mike" Keeley, scholar of the modern Greek literature and foremost translator of Greek poetry Monday to Wednesday 4 and 9 p.m.

• MEET THE MAYOR, Wednesday at 7 p.m.

• Talk-to-Me with Ron and Karen. Call-in Live. Thursday at 8 p.m.

**CALENDAR**Thursday, November 28  
ThanksgivingFriday, November 29  
Hanukkah Begios

12-2 p.m.: Holiday Brass concert; Courtyard, Princeton Shopping Center.

1 p.m.: The Nutcracker; McCarter Theatre. Also at 4:30 p.m.; Saturday at 1 and 4:30 p.m.; and Sunday at 1 p.m.

4:30 p.m.: Tree lighting; Palmer Square..

8 p.m.: The Actors Company, Scrooge; Westminster Choir College, also Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m.

Saturday, November 30

12-2 p.m.: Millstone Valley Chorus; Courtyard, Princeton Shopping Center.

8 p.m.: An Evening with Mark Delavan; Patriots Theatre, War Memorial, Trenton

Sunday, December 1

8 p.m.: A Concert for Chanukah; Bristol Chapel, Westminster Choir College

Monday, December 2

7:30 p.m.: Township Committee; Township Hall.

Tuesday, December 3

8 p.m.: Borough Council; Borough Hall.

Wednesday, December 4  
Recycling Pickup

7 p.m.: Film, A Woman Under the Influence, with discussion following; Public Library.

7 p.m.: Reading and signing, Jenny McPhee, Martha McPhee, Joan Sullivan; U-Store

Thursday, December 5

7:30 p.m.: Regional Planning Board; Township Hall

Friday, December 6

12:30 p.m.: Gallery Talk, "Sketches, Studies, Pictures and Views," Peter Barbieri, Ph.D. candidate, Department of Art and Archaeology; Princeton University Art Museum. Also Sunday at 3.

4:30 p.m.: Nualani Dhomhanaill, poet, reading from her work; Stewart Film Theater, 185 Nassau Street.

8 p.m.: Westminster Jubilee Singers; Bristol Chapel, Westminster Choir College.

8 p.m.: Princeton University Orchestra; Richardson Auditorium. Also Saturday at 8 p.m.

Saturday, December 7

10 a.m.-noon: Nassau Brass performing Christmas songs; Courtyard, Princeton Shopping Center.

10 a.m.-4 p.m.: Historical Society Holiday Open House Tour.

11 a.m.: Talks for Children, "Glyphs and Calligraphy in the Museum," Susan Jenkins, docent; Princeton University Art Museum.

8 p.m.: Westminster Concert Bell Choir; Bristol Chapel, Westminster Choir College.

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MONDAY  
For Borough  
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**CONCERNED CITIZENS:** Rich Carnevale, left, owner of the Annex; Alan Hegedus, center, chair of the School Board's finance committee; and Stockton Street resident Richard Strazza, listen to presentations by Concerned Citizens of Princeton.

(Photo by Rebecca Blackwell)

## Garage

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press for a referendum or public survey.

"The government has no measurement whatsoever of the mood of the town," said Herb Hobler. He added that residents were not opposed to building parking or a garage, but on a smaller scale.

Concerned Citizens member Tina Clement presented Borough Council with a petition opposing the Borough's plans. She said the more than one thousand residents who signed the petition came from many different neighborhoods and both major political parties. "I think that is a very fair representation of your town," she said.

"You are elected to speak for the people, not think for the people," said Howard Siskowitz, a Hawthorne Avenue resident.

Mayor Marvin Reed and Councilwoman Peggy Karcher said their electoral victories were evidence of public support for their plans. Ms. Karcher said she was waiting for a "compelling reasoned argument" against the Borough's proposal.

### Creative Alternative

Mayor Reed said that he had yet to see a creative alternative that would meet the Borough's needs as well as the current plan.

Councilman Joseph O'Neill said he would not make a final decision concerning the project until more detailed financial data is available. He also apologized to Borough merchants for the Council's failure to address the merchant's difficulties earlier in the process.

Jim Firestone presented data from a survey of independent merchants, performed last weekend. The merchants he surveyed reported an average decrease in sales of 25 percent since the closure of the Park & Shop lot on Spring Street.

Several merchants — including the owners of the Annex, Abel Bagel, the Flower Market, and PJ's

Pancake House — said their businesses might not survive a multi-year construction project in the downtown. Hank Siegel, owner of Hamilton Jewelers, urged the Council not to close the metered parking lot on Tulane and Spring streets, saying it would deal "a crushing blow" to adjacent businesses.

### Businesses Threatened

Owners of two long-standing Princeton businesses, Luttmann's Luggage and Landau's, said their businesses too would be threatened by a prolonged dearth of parking. "If you close all the Ma and Pa's out and it's all chains, you are not going to need the parking," said Henry Landau.

"If the University chooses to, they can help us solve this problem," said local attorney Bob Zagoria. He said the University could provide the intellectual and financial means to solve the parking problem, which it is exacerbating by bringing contractors and visitors to Princeton.

Alan Hegedus, chairman of the School Board's finance committee, read a letter from the School Board expressing the board's concern that granting Nassau HKT a 10-year exemption from paying property taxes would "take dollars out of classrooms to pay for parking."

He estimated that the 77 apartments would add 32 new students to the Princeton school system. The board would need to raise taxes, he said, to cover the cost to the district, which he estimated at between \$2.5 million and \$3.5 million over the next ten years.

The meeting ended after more than two hours without approaching any consensus.

—Rebecca Blackwell

The HealthGrades ratings place the Medical Center among the top 10 percent of hospitals in the United States for maternity care.

The Medical Center's orthopedic program also received recognition as it was named the best provider in the region for joint replacement surgery and was ranked among the top 10 hospitals in New Jersey for overall orthopedics for the second year in a row.

"Our exceptional ratings from HealthGrades are reflective of the consistently high standard of care we provide at the Medical Center of Princeton," said Barry Rabner, president and CEO of the hospital. "Our physicians and staff are honored to receive this recognition. We believe it is important for the communities we serve to be aware of clinical outcomes and to use this information when making decisions about their healthcare."

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"On average, mortality rates for one-star hospitals are double that of five-star hospitals," she continued. "The high quality ratings earned by the Medical Center at Princeton reflect a significant level of excellence."

HealthGrades' latest quality ratings are based on raw data collected from 1999 through 2001 by the federal government's Center for Medical and Medicaid Services, except for the obstetrics ratings, which are based on all-payer data currently made available by 18 states, including New Jersey. For more information about the Hospital Report Card and rating system, visit [www.healthgrades.com](http://www.healthgrades.com).

## Young Achievers Considered a Success

Teachers, parents, and children overwhelmingly agreed that participating in Princeton Young Achievers' (PYA) academic support and enrichment programs improves children's attitudes and behaviors toward learning and, as a result, improves their academic performance according to a recent survey.

Dr. Jean Grossman, a lecturer at Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School and senior vice president of Public-Private Ventures, a national social policy think-tank, recently conducted and released an evaluation of PYA.

PYA is a non-profit community organization that provides Princeton youth with academic support in after-school and summer programs at three learning centers located in low to moderate-income housing areas in Princeton at the Clay Street Learning Center, Redding Circle, and Princeton Community Village Learning Center.

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Wed. Dec. 4, 7:00 p.m. McPhee sisters: Jenny McPhee, Martha McPhee, and Joan Sullivan

Sat. Dec. 7, 11:00-1:00 Walter Choroszewski, *New Jersey: A Photographic Treasure*

Sat. Dec. 7, 12:00-2:00 Lynne Cherry, various children's books, including *The Great Kapok Tree* and *The Armadillo from Amarillo*

Sat. Dec. 7, 1:00-3:00 Alice Calaprice, *Dear Professor Einstein: Albert Einstein's Letters to and from Children*

Tue. Dec. 10, 7:00 p.m. Esther Schor, Princeton English professor and poet, *The Hills of Holland*

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## Palmer Square MCCC to Examine Careers in Aviation

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within the proposed complex. "If you're looking for a career that will really take off, the Borough has shown itself willing to compromise consider aviation," said Joseph Blasensteln, developer. "The developer must include — if not on the necessity of providing some affordable housing."

It has reached agreements with developers such as J. Robert Hillier to provide fewer than the 20 percent stipulated in the 1994 ordinance. These agreements affect the two current Hillier residential projects in the Borough — the 16 apartments on Moore Street and the conversion of the Princeton Nursing home on Quarry Street to 34 apartments.

Mayor Reed said of the ongoing negotiations with Palmer Square, "As we did with Hillier and our own development [the proposed downtown complex], we will negotiate a certain number of units which must be within the development area and will not settle on a financial contribution, which is what some developers have attempted to do. Even if we have to settle for fewer units, we want them to be in the development. We don't want a financial settlement."

### Affordable Housing

At first, Palmer Square said it didn't have a legal obligation to provide affordable housing, continued Mr. Reed. "We said, 'whether you think you do or not, why don't you settle with us on a number?' We continue to talk about that and continue to get a better understanding of what might be done and how it might be done."

The Borough has been very determined to obtain affordable housing within the 97 units, said the Mayor. Meetings with Palmer Square continue to be held every two weeks, and he noted there was also an active subcommittee of the Planning Board that was working to resolve open conditions of the 1990 approval.

Over the years, Mr. Reed said, the Borough has concluded that if it insists on an absolute amount of affordable housing the developer will just walk away from the project. "But if we can arrive at what we think is a reasonable number, [the developer] will provide that."

In 1998, Palmer Square officials unveiled a new plan for the Paul Robeson site that called for 60 townhouses and two commercial structures. Their hope was that one of the structures would contain the new library and that, in return, they would obtain the library site at Witherspoon and Wiggins streets.

Even after the land swap negotiations broke down, Palmer Square still said it intended to develop some office and retail space in addition to the residential units. Afterwards, however, it reverted to its original plan of building 97 units.

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## Atkinson's Fourth Quarter Explosion Sends Tiger Football Out With 38-30 Win

The first moments of Cameron Atkinson's Princeton University football career were nothing to write home about as he bobbed the ball on a botched reverse as a freshman in his first play from scrimmage in the Tigers' 1999 season opener.

Last Saturday in Princeton's season finale against visiting Dartmouth, Atkinson turned the last minutes of his football career into one of the most remarkable individual displays in Ivy League history as he rushed for 182 yards and three touchdowns in the fourth quarter alone.

Atkinson's explosion, which featured two electrifying scoring jaunts of 66 and 84 yards, helped the Tigers rebound from fourth quarter deficits of 16-10 and 24-17, paving the way for Princeton to come away with a 38-30 win before 11,597 and finish at 6-4 (4-3 Ivy League).

The final numbers on Atkinson's finale were glittering as he ended up with 28 carries for a career-high and stadium-record 233 yards, giving him 1,028 yards on the season as he became just the fifth Princeton player to accomplish that feat. In addition, the senior from Mantua, N.J. finished with a career total of 2,449 yards rushing, vaulting him to third all-time in Princeton history behind only Keith Elias (4,208 yards) and Judd Garrett (3,109 yards).

"I'll remember today for the rest of my life," said a beaming Atkinson afterward. "The most important thing was to go out with a win but for the running game to be on like it was today was great. To get 1,000 yards in a season for the coaches, offensive

line, for the program, was just unbelievable."

For Atkinson, the most important number on the day was six, the Tigers' final win total, and what it represented for the program collectively.

"It was huge for the program, we lost six games last year and we win six this year, that's a big turnaround," said the 5'7, 185-pound Atkinson, whose athletic career at Princeton is far from over as he is a top sprinter and co-captain of the Tigers indoor and outdoor track and field teams.

"Of course, we wanted more, we expected to win more football games. I'll remember this game, going out with a winning season and possibly creating a legacy of bringing back the winning tradition of Princeton football."

At halftime, though, it looked like the Tigers were going to go out with a whimper not a bang as they trailed Dartmouth 16-3 at the break, with the Big Green cashing in on a Matt Verbit interception and poor punt by Eliot Bishop to put together second quarter scoring drives of 27 yards and 41 yards.

Princeton head coach Roger Hughes, however, wasn't rattled despite the deficit. "We were actually smiling at halftime," recalled Hughes, a former offensive coordinator at Dartmouth

who now has a 12-17 mark in his three years at Princeton. "I got on the headsets before halftime and said 'hey fellas, you've got to be positive we can do what we want here but we just have to relax and start playing.'" Hughes was smiling even broader when the Tigers converted two fourth downs as they put together a

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**ROCKET MAN:** Princeton University running back Cameron Atkinson eludes Dartmouth defenders in his record-breaking performance last Saturday in Princeton's 38-30 win over the Big Green in the season finale. Atkinson, who exploded for 182 yards rushing and three touchdowns in the fourth quarter alone, ended his final game with 233 yards rushing, a career-high and Princeton Stadium one-game record.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

15-play, 85-yard scoring march in the third quarter that took up 7:31 to narrow the score to 16-10 and start a deluge that buried Dartmouth.

On the first play of the fourth quarter, Atkinson sprinted 66 yards for his first touchdown, giving the Tigers a 17-16 lead. Dartmouth answered back with a Brian Mann scoring strike to Joe Killefio and a two-point conversion which put the Big Green up by 24-17.

In the next 6:23, the Tigers scored three touchdowns, highlighted by Atkinson's stadium-record 84-yard sprint. All told, Princeton scored 35 points in just over 13 minutes.

In taking over the game in the fourth quarter, Atkinson proved definitively that, as Hughes likes to say, he is a football player who runs track and not a track guy playing football.

"I've learned to play with pain, today I rolled my ankle pretty bad in the first half," recalled Atkinson, who has helped the Tigers track program to Heptagonal championships in the winter and spring seasons and was a key part of a championship relay team. "I came out for a little bit and just walked it off. Playing in pain is the biggest difference between track and football."

For Hughes, the Tigers' second half eruption spared him of some pain as he led Princeton to its first winning season since 1997 with the team doubling last season's win total.

"As a coach, you say woulda, coulda, shoulda, a couple of plays here and there and we're 9-1," said Hughes. "As the season closes and you go on to recruiting and look at

it you say what progress. Two years ago, we don't come back from falling behind. It is an indication of the type of maturity we're starting to develop and the confidence in what we do."

Hughes credited Atkinson and his classmates with helping to forge the team's maturity.

"They are the last class that we didn't have a hand in recruiting," added Hughes, whose senior starters Saturday included receiver and co-captain Chisom Opara, offensive linemen Lance Baird, Chris Havener, and Roger Patterson, linebacker and co-captain Drew Babinecz, linebacker J.R. Sauder, and defensive back Kevin Kongsle. "They've been great, they've bought into our program. They've been great leaders, they've worked very hard."

The seniors' workhorse, Atkinson, knows that becoming a willing disciple of the Hughes approach helped him produce one of the truly memorable careers in Princeton football history.

"When Coach Hughes came here, he preached his mantra, being physical and getting better every play so hard that we just internalized it," recalled Atkinson, whose excellence isn't confined to athletics as the chemistry major was recently named one of the 14 members of the 2002 National Scholar-Athlete class. "We bought it completely."

Atkinson showed that he learned those lessons better than anyone as he made his last plays in a Princeton uniform some of his best.

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## Squash Teams Take Openers

Getting the 2002-03 campaign off on the right foot, the Princeton University men's and women's squash teams beat visiting Cornell last Saturday in the season opening match.

The women swept Cornell 9-0 as freshman Ruchiika Kumar made a sparkling debut in the No. 1 spot winning her match 3-0 (9-2, 9-0, 9-0). Each tiger competitor won her individual match by a 3-0 score.

Led by its senior class, which swept the top four spots, the men's team began the defense of its Ivy league title by beating the Big Red 7-2. The senior winners included David Yik at No. 1, Will Evans at No. 2, Dan Rutherford at No. 3, and Eric Pearson at No. 4.

The women's team will next be in action on December 7 when it travels to Brown while the men's next match is on December 5 when they host Franklin & Marshall.

## Tiger Runners Take Team Titles

The Princeton University cross country teams enjoyed a stellar weekend as both the men's and women's squads took team titles in season-ending action last Saturday at Van Cortlandt Park.

The men's team ended its season by capturing the IC4A

University Division Championship as it placed first out of 20 teams, led by Dan Mackenzie who finished fourth covering the 5-mile course in 26:07. Other Tigers who performed well included David Silver, the eighth place finisher in a time of 26:16, Wayne Hopp, the 11th place finisher in 26:22, and John Basler in 15th with a time of 26:35.

The women won the ECAC University Championship, placing first of 20 teams. The Tigers were paced by Pilar Marin, who came in fifth as she clocked a time of 18:52 for the 3.1 mile course, Maggie Moore, the seventh place finisher in 19:01, and Kate Reid, who was eighth in 19:04.

## Women's Ice Hockey Now at 5-2-1

A third period goal by Gretchen Anderson gave the Princeton University women's ice hockey team a 2-2 tie with Mercyhurst last Sunday.

The Tigers, who moved to 5-2-1 as a result of the draw, also got a goal from Angela Gooldy.

Princeton, which had started its weekend in Mercyhurst with a 2-1 win in overtime against the Lakers on Saturday, continue a stretch of non-conference games when it hosts Maine on Saturday and Northeastern on Sunday.



**UNION MADE:** Princeton University's Dan Hursh, number 25, takes off with the puck with teammate James Fitzpatrick in support in the Tigers' 4-1 loss to Union College on November 15. The Tigers, who lost 3-2 to Dartmouth last Saturday to fall to 1-7-0, host Yale on November 26 before hitting the road for a November 30 rematch with Yale and a December 1 contest at Massachusetts.

(Photo by Bill Allen/NJ SportAction)

## Bloomsburg Swamps Tiger Wrestling 49-3

Falling to 0-2 on the young season, the Princeton University wrestling team lost 49-3 to Bloomsburg last Saturday in the last match of the Bloomsburg duals.

Matt Fisher took the Tigers' only win as he won a 7-6 decision over Andy Ludlow at 197 lbs. Princeton's next action comes on November 30 in the Kutztown Open in Kutztown, Pa.

## Tiger Swim Teams Sink Brown

The Princeton University men's and women's swim teams both remained perfect in early season action as they topped Brown last Sunday at DeNunzio Pool.

The men's team improved to 3-0 with a 210-83 win over the Bears. Individual winners for the Tigers included Paul Cremer in the 1000-yard freestyle, Steve Flemming in the 100-yard backstroke, Garth Fealey in the 100 breaststroke, Jesse

Gage in the 50 free and Juan Valdivieso in the 200 butterfly.

The women, meanwhile, As the Princeton University outlasted Brown 160-125 to women's basketball team move to 4-0. The squad got continues its rebuilding progress from winning performances, it took a step backward among others, Chrissy Hol before making some solid land in the 100-yard backstroke, Eileen Altenburger in 03 campaign last weekend. the 200 fly, Sarah Frauman in the 1000 free, and Molly the Women's Sports Foundation in the 50 free.

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But a night later, the Tigers made a step in the right direction as they topped Southwest Texas State 82-81 in overtime on an Eileen Powers' putback in the last second of play.

Princeton fell behind 20-9 in the game's first eight minutes but fought back to take a one-point lead late in the first half. At intermission, however, the Bobcats led 36-32. In the second half, the game went back and forth with the lead changing hands several times.

Princeton had a five-point lead with seconds remaining in regulation but Southwest Texas forced the game into overtime with five straight points from Julia Brooks. The Bobcats continued their run early in overtime as they took a five point lead, Allison Cahill, though, knocked in four free throws to spark the Tigers' comeback.

With the Tigers down by one with seconds remaining, they held for the last shot and when Maureen Lane's jumper rimmed out, Powers was there to clean the glass and give Princeton a dramatic win.

The performance against Southwest Texas was heartening as the team showed its depth as well as its character.

Senior co-captain Lane had one of the finest all-around games of her career as she scored 22 points, had eight rebounds, and dished out six assists in 38 minutes of play. Lane's classmate and co-captain, Cahill, chipped in 15 points while Powers, a junior,

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**KILL JOY:** Princeton University's Abby Studer blasts the ball past Yale in Princeton's 3-1 win over the Bulldogs on November 15. The Tigers, who lost 3-1 to Penn on November 20 in their season finale, ended at 16-6 (10-4, Ivy) tied with Harvard for second place behind the champion Quakers. Studer, who had 276 kills on the season, was named to the all-Ivy first team along with teammate Kellie Cramm, the Tigers' leader in kills with 337.

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had 12 points and three rebounds. The Tigers also got solid work from their bench as junior Kelly Schaefer scored nine points while freshman Rebecca Brown added 14 points and four rebounds in just 25 minutes of action.

Princeton (1-1), which improved to 11 wins last season from two the year before, will look to use its depth on November 27 as it hosts Tennessee-Martin.

## Tiger Men's Basketball Falls In Sooner Final

While the Princeton University men's basketball team learned this weekend that it isn't ready to stay close to top-ten power Oklahoma, it did come away from last weekend's Sooner Invitational with plenty to be happy about.

The Tigers' 82-69 loss to No. 7 Oklahoma on Saturday in the championship game of the two-day tournament was disappointing albeit predictable and couldn't really be viewed as a step backward from Princeton's 62-59 win over a tough Western Michigan squad in the season opener for both teams.

"That was a terrific team," said Thompson referring to Broncos after he had won his first season opener in three years heading the program. "I was more nervous going into this game and during this game than I can remember. I knew it would be a struggle. They are a team that can put points on the board in bunches."

Thompson got some individual performances in the opener which helped ease his nerves as sophomore forward Judson Wallace had the finest game of his young career, scoring nine points while pulling down 14 rebounds and adding six assists while Spencer Gloger poured in 18 points in his first game since transferring back to Princeton from UCLA.

Princeton trailed Western Michigan 34-30 at halftime but used an early surge to take a 12-point lead. The Broncos, however, used a pair of runs to try to regain their advantage, cutting the deficit to one with less than 30 seconds remaining. Gloger hit two free throws down the stretch as Princeton held on for the hard-earned win.

Thompson lauded Wallace's performance in what was his first college start. "He did what he was supposed to do," said Thompson. "He did what everybody in the room knew he could do."

Princeton's collective effort impressed Thompson as well. "We take pride in our offense, that's what Princeton basketball is all about...," he added.

That offense sputtered the next day against Oklahoma as the Tigers fell behind 44-29 by halftime and were unable to overcome that deficit.

Princeton, though, did get some encouraging performances to build on as it heads into its home opener on November 30 against Florida International. Andre Logan, coming off a knee injury, scored 16 points while Gloger showed he hasn't missed a step from his outstanding freshman campaign in 1999-2000 ending up with 14 points.

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# Curtis Family Adds to Its Springfield College Legacy

It was 1962 and 12-year-old John Curtis thought his older brother, Jim, a star athlete then in his sophomore year at Springfield College in Massachusetts, was indestructible.

But then his family got the shocking news that Jim, a hurdler and football player, had a cerebral aneurysm and within hours he was dead.

That tragedy left Curtis resolved to follow in his older brother's footsteps, a goal which he accomplished with flair as he went on to Springfield and made himself into a record-breaking receiver.

Last Saturday, Curtis, the athletic director at Princeton High since 1993, watched in pride as his son, Jay, a 1998 PHS graduate, finished another chapter in the family's Springfield legacy by closing out a stellar career as a receiver for the Pride in an NCAA playoff loss to SUNY Brockport.

As the proud father reflected on his son's achievements, he acknowledged that the family glory sprung from its tragic loss.

"Jim's death was the defining moment in my life, from that moment on I was headed to Springfield," said the elder Curtis, who added that his family was overwhelmed by the sensitivity shown by the Springfield community in the difficult time after Jim's passing.

While Curtis had a clear goal, he certainly wasn't burning up the playing fields of his native Newark. As he entered high school, Curtis was chubby and uncoordinated. The Springfield football coach, Ted Dunn, kept in touch with Curtis but there wasn't much on-field exploits to discuss at first.

Curtis, however, aided by some tough tutelage by Freddy Hill, who later became the baseball coach at Rutgers, and a growth spurt, blossomed into an All-State baseball player and an All-Conference defensive end by his senior year.

Disregarding the advice of a guidance counselor who tried to dissuade Curtis from pursuing his dream of going to Springfield, he got accepted and headed to western Massachusetts in the fall of 1967.

When he got there, however, he quickly learned he was in for a struggle. "Coach Dunn said we would give you a look," recalled Curtis. "They hadn't reserved a place for me. I just wanted to play and get on the field and wear Jimmy's number (82)."

Curtis made some progress as he became a starter for Springfield's freshman team but he was still struggling to adjust to college.

The connection with his brother helped convince him to stay. "One day in my freshman year, I was crying and saying why was I here," said Curtis. "Something took me to the library and I went to Jim's yearbook and opened it up and there he was."

He went on to become the most prolific receiver in Springfield history, still holding the school record for catches in a season (53 in 1969), catches in a career (104), and tied for the most catches in a game (11 against Amherst in 1969).

Curtis, who was named as a small college All-American in 1970, also holds the school's career records in receiving yards (1848) and receiving touchdowns (14) together with season marks for receiving yards (1000 in 1969) and touchdown catches (8 in 1969).

As Curtis was rewriting the school's record book, he felt his brother's presence. "There was an aura from Jimmy, I have no doubt," maintained Curtis.



Jay Curtis



John Curtis

"There were times when I was catching the ball, two guys would hit me, the ball would be flying by and I'd reach out with one hand and grab it. It was surreal. There was something connected to the fact that Jim never got to play his junior and senior years and those were the years that I all of a sudden became a star athlete."

Curtis' exploits led him to the NFL where the Jets took him in the ninth round of the 1971 draft. After getting cut by the Jets that summer, Curtis tried for the next few years to make it in the NFL. He got looks from the Kansas City Chiefs, Baltimore Colts, San Francisco 49ers and New England Patriots before giving up his NFL dream in 1975 and turning to teaching and coaching.

By the mid-1980s, Curtis' second son, Jay, was developing a love for sports and Springfield College as he tagged along with his father at college events such as reunions and homecoming games.

"I noticed that Jay always had an interest in Springfield, he always seemed to follow their scores," said Curtis, who was inducted into the school's hall of fame in 1992. "In a way, I never really wanted Jay or his older brother [Jim] to go there because of the pressure of following me."

The younger Curtis, however, was undeterred as he caught the Springfield bug early. "It's the first college I ever knew," said Curtis. "They were always checking up on my dad, he had nothing but good things to say about the place. I always kind of thought that I would end up there."

After his PHS career in which Jay emerged as a lanky, 160-pound receiver with a knack for catching the deep ball, he was accepted at Springfield. Like his father before him, he struggled in his freshman year.

"I thought I could just come in and replicate my father's success," said Curtis. "I didn't know what was required to succeed at this level. It was a shock and I was thinking about transferring."

Deciding to stick with it, Curtis started seeing playing time as a sophomore and became starter as a junior. After getting a medical redshirt, Curtis has become a second team All-Freedom Football Conference performer at wide receiver as a 5th-year senior this fall, making 11 catches for 250 yards and four touchdowns.

"I couldn't have had a better college experience," said Curtis, a sports management major who has lined up an internship with the Philadelphia Eagles. "Coming into this year, I wanted to work as hard as I could to make this last year special."

If nothing else, Curtis knows that he has made this a special fall for his father. "I know he's loving it, I couldn't appreciate it more," said the 6'2 185-pound Curtis. "He or my mom have come to almost every game this fall. My teammates are always saying they can't believe my father is here again. I can't put into words how that makes me feel."

For his father, who has been to all but three games this fall, the long trips to New England have been more than worth it.

"Jay's created his own path. He's very much a part of Springfield College, now it's no longer my school, it's our school," said the elder Curtis with a broad grin. "I feel blessed as a father to see this kid overcome a lot of adversity. I don't know of many parents who could've asked for more."

And no doubt, uncle Jim would be equally proud of how the latest Curtis has thrived at Springfield. —Bill Alden

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The player with the biggest foot in the NFL during the 2001 season just happened to wear the league's smallest shoe. How is that possible? Easy. The NFL's smallest shoe size—eight and a half—belonged to New England's Adam Vinatieri, the kicker who nailed an overtime field goal in a blizzard to win New England's first playoff game against Oakland, then kicked a field goal to beat St. Louis in the final play of the Super Bowl.

In 1948, a future NFL Hall of Fame player and a future NFL Hall of Fame owner each played quarterback against the other on their respective high school football teams. Any guesses? They were legendary Baltimore Colts quarterback Johnny Unitas and legendary Pittsburgh Steelers owner Dan Rooney, who were opposing quarterbacks as Pittsburgh high schoolers when Johnny Unitas' St. Justin's team defeated Rooney's North Allegheny squad. The next year, 1949, they were one-two on the all-Pittsburgh Catholic football team as quarterbacks.

He is considered the greatest player in his sport's history, but oddly, in the final game of his career, he played the first half with one team and the second half with the other. Any idea who it is? The answer is soccer legend Pele, who played the first half of his farewell game on October 1, 1977 in New Jersey's Meadowlands with his

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**PHS Girls' Ice Hockey Wins Opener 5-1**

The Princeton High girls ice hockey club got its season off to a strong start as it topped Radnor (Pa.) High 5-1 last Sunday at South Brunswick.

The Little Tigers were led by Megan Hayden and Louise Finnell, who each scored two goals in the win. PHS' next game is on December 11 at Princeton Day School.

**PDS Names Devlin As Football Coach**

The Princeton Day School said last week that it has chosen Bruce Devlin as its new head football coach.

Devlin is replacing Bill Martin whose 2002 team posted a 2-6 mark. Devlin has extensive coaching experience at PDS, having served as the school's head coach in baseball, assistant coach in boys' basketball and as the offensive coordinator of the football team.

In a statement announcing the move, PDS Director of Athletics John Levandowski said he was confident that Devlin "will do a great job in leading our team next fall and building on this past season's successes."

**Despite 1-9 Season PHS Football Upbeat**

Even though the Princeton High football squad went 1-9 record in his debut season guiding the program, head coach Steve Everette is still as upbeat as the day he took on the challenge of rebuilding the team.

"We saw tremendous growth this year," said Everette, who guided the team to its first on-the-field victory since 2000 when the Little Tigers beat Hightstown 16-13 in early October. Princeton's 2001 record shows a win over Ewing but that was earned off-the-field due to a forfeit.

"Our defense played well, especially the last half of the season. In our league, people like to pound you and our guys were able to get off the ball quicker and cause problems."

The Little Tigers' defenders capped off the regular season with a strong effort in a 14-11 loss to Nottingham in which PHS held the Northstars scoreless for the first three quarters. In the NJSIAA consolation game a

week later, the Princeton defense, which was anchored by seniors Emre Guzelci and Michael Britt, peaked as it held Holmdel to 36 yards total offense although that was not enough to overcome four lost fumbles as PHS fell 6-0.

In addition to the progress on the defensive side of the ball, Everette is heartened by the rapid development of the squad's younger players.

"We have some really good younger players returning," said Everette, citing juniors Ben DuRuosi, Dave Mostoller, Jarrod Simpson, Josh Blount, and sophomore T.R. Johnson, among others. "We have had some freshmen like Frank Giacalone and Ben Guervil who showed a lot of maturity. Our junior varsity team had a bunch of good sophomores and 12 freshmen."

Everette himself exuded a youthful enthusiasm that he was able to maintain despite the team's setbacks. "I had so much fun, it was a brand new conference for me and every week was like starting from scratch," said Everette. "I was frustrated at times, like the Little Tigers' 14-11 defeat to Nottingham in the final regular season game. (Photo by Bill Allen)

The progress that Everette has seen has him shooting for some lofty goals in 2003.

"We want to contend for the Colonial Valley Conference title and hopefully make the playoffs," asserted Everette. "I don't think those are unrealistic goals."

The numbers are going to increase, there are kids who wanted to come out during the season but I didn't let them since they had not gone through our summer work," said Everette. "They saw the amount of fun our players were having. The games were pretty exciting and they want strength in numbers he needs to get into that excitement."

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**SHE'S QUALIFIED:** Stuart Country Day School senior Lindsay Grabowski successfully completed the Senior Free Skating Test administered by the U.S. Figure Skating Association. Passing the test qualifies Ms. Grabowski, a Princeton resident who has been skating since the age of 7 and who also plays ice hockey, to compete at the highest level of figure skating competition.

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**EVER READY:** Princeton High football coach Steve Everette passes on wisdom to Dave Mostoller in the Little Tigers' 14-11 defeat to Nottingham in the final regular season game. (Photo by Bill Allen)

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**BIG MAN ON CAMPUS:** Hun School lineman Jeffrey Zuttah, second from left, accepts a special jersey during a recent school assembly in the Hun gym during which he was honored for being chosen to play in the U.S. Army All-American Bowl on January 5 in San Antonio. Also pictured, from left, is Hun head coach Dave Dudeck, Christine Zuttah (Jeffrey's mother), and a U.S. Army representative.

### Hun's Zuttah Heading To All-American Bowl

As a star lineman on J.P. Stevens' undefeated squad in the fall of 2001, Jeff Zuttah thought his dream of playing major college football was just months from being realized.

With Zuttah having grown to 280 pounds by his senior year, clocking a 4.9 time in the 40-yard dash, and carrying 3.0+ grade point average, he would have seemed to be a prime prospect for a college power. But after getting only a nibble from Division 1-AA Fordham, the North Edison resident decided to opt for Plan B – doing a post grad year at the Hun School.

As his dominating play in the trenches helped Hun post a 6-3 mark this fall, Zuttah got everyone's attention, becoming the subject of an intense recruiting battle between such suitors as Miami, Notre Dame, and Florida State.

Now, Zuttah's stock has risen even higher as he was recently accorded the ultimate accolade, being selected to play in the U.S. Army All-American Bowl next January 5 in the Alamodome in San Antonio, a game which features the top 78 high school players in the country.

"This is a tremendous opportunity and I really appreciate the honor the U.S. Army has bestowed upon me," said Zuttah after a school assembly in which his achievement was honored with the guests on hand including Hun's only other football All-American, Dr. Greg Cortina, a 1971 graduate of the school.

With his physical gifts, solid academic record, and All-American stature, Zuttah is now in the driver's seat when it comes to his recruiters, having narrowed down his choices to Florida State, Boston College, Penn State, Michigan and Notre Dame.

"I plan to get a great education, that's why I picked the schools I did just in case things don't work out in football," added Zuttah, who will be visiting each of those schools in the coming weeks. "I will work my hardest to make sure that things do work out with football."

For Zuttah, his post-graduate experience at Hun has been about a lot more than football. "Hun has meant a lot to me, it's helped me grow academically and emotionally and make me more mature," asserted Zuttah, whose SAT score of 1160 is as impressive as any of his football-related numbers.

His mother, Christine, who was at the Hun assembly, has

"As far as going out and playing the game, he's awesome. He's just a tremendous football player."

In Dudeck's view, Zuttah's football career might not end at the college level. "A lot of recruiters have mentioned that they see him as being able to play on Sundays if he keeps developing," added Dudeck, who did a PG year at Hun before playing football at Trenton State where he was coached by Cortina, Hun's other All-American.

"That's way, way in the future. We'll take things one step at a time and just see how he progresses on and off the field."

While Zuttah is focused on making the grade on and off the field at whichever college power he ends up choosing, he acknowledges that the NFL is in the back of his mind.

"If you have an opportunity like this, you can't help but not think about it," said Zuttah, referring to the prospect of playing professional football. "Any kid who says he doesn't is lying."

With the approach Zuttah has taken in achieving his goal of playing major college football, it certainly wouldn't be surprising to see him playing someday on Sundays.

—Bill Alden

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Speakers: Dr. John Winant, Diplomat of the American Board of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology and Nancy Elson, MA, RRT, Respiratory Care Practitioner  
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The program is free and open to the community. Please call the Department of Education at (609) 497-4480 to register.

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Time: 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Location: Ground Floor Conference Room B, Princeton Hospital

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### Presidential Rank Award To Go to Prof. Barron

The United States Office of Personnel Management has announced that William G. Barron, Jr., the Frederick H. Schultz Class of 1951 Professor of International Economic Policy at Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, will be awarded the Presidential Rank Award for his exceptional leadership and long-term accomplishments as a senior employee of federal public agencies.

Each year, the President of the United States recognizes and celebrates a small group of career senior executives in the public sector with the Presidential Rank Award for exceptional long-term accomplishments. An official White House ceremony honoring all recipients is scheduled for January.

Before coming to the Woodrow Wilson School with the rank of Lecturer of Public and International Affairs, Prof. Barron was deputy director and chief operating officer of the U.S. Census Bureau, a position he had held since April 1999. Prior to becoming the senior career civil servant at the U.S. Census Bureau, he served in top management posts at the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics for nearly 30 years before moving to the Commerce Department in August 1998.

Presidential Rank Award recipients are chosen through a rigorous selection process. They are nominated by their agency heads, evaluated by boards of private citizens, and approved by the President. The evaluation criteria focus on leadership and results.



**BEAUTIFUL CANVAS:** Caroline Tait, 4, enjoys getting her face painted at the Mary Dietrich Cooperative Nursery School's annual Fall Craft Fair. The nursery school, located at Nassau Presbyterian Church, has been offering classes for 2½ to 5-year-olds for more than 45 years.

### Scholar's 25th Book Is "Verdict on Vichy"

A new book by Princeton resident Michael Curtis, Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Political Science at Rutgers University, will be published in London this month. Titled *Verdict on Vichy: Power and Prejudice in France During World War II*, it focuses on Jewish persecution by the Vichy government.

*Verdict on Vichy* is the first new English-language study of Vichy persecution in 20 years, and incorporates information made public only recently from the crimes

against humanity trials of such figures as Maurice Papon. The study also covers the report released by the French government last year about how the Vichy regime collaborated with the Nazis to confiscate and steal Jewish property.

Prof. Curtis will mark the occasion of the book's publication in England by giving a seminar this month at the London School of Economics. An American edition of the book will be published in New York in June.

An expert in political theory, comparative government, European politics and the Middle East, Prof. Curtis was president of American Professors for Peace in the Middle East for many years, and editor of the Middle East Review. His 25 books include his analysis of the rise of anti-democratic and anti-Semitic ideology in France after the Dreyfus affair, *Three Against the Third Republic*.

Prof. Curtis is also considered an expert on the Middle East. He was one of the first to discuss the tangled interconnections between Islam and politics in *Religion and Politics in the Middle East*. His other significant books on the Middle East include *Israel: Social Structure and Change and Israel in the Third World*.

Prof. Curtis was born in London and educated at the London School of Economics. He came to the United States to study American politics and received his doctorate at Cornell University. He has taught at Yale University, Hebrew University, Tel Aviv University and the University of Bologna in addition to Rutgers.

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A ten-year effort described by the author as a "labor of love" has reached completion with the publication of Benedict Yedlin's World War II memoir, *Brother Men Who Fly*.

The author, a Princeton resident, is the former president of The Yedlin Company in Princeton. He organized the Princeton office of Cancer Care and serves on its board. Subtitled "A World War II Gunner's Personal Quest," Mr. Yedlin's book tells the story of the 16 men who were killed in December, 1944, when their B-24 bomber, nicknamed "The Buzzer," accidentally crashed on an Italian mountainside. Mr. Yedlin flew 36 missions

over Europe during the war as a ball-turret gunner in B-24 bombers.

Research for *Brother Men Who Fly*, written with the help of Alexander M. Jeffers of Rocky Hill, was begun in 1992. "I undertook the project with the purpose of being a tribute to the men who perished," explains Mr. Yedlin. "It was a sad act of fate that a combat veteran aircraft would end its days at the bottom of a mountain ravine and that sixteen men would lose their lives in such a tragic manner. Members of our crew survived the war. We were the fortunate ones."

*Brother Men Who Fly* is available at Micawber Books and the Princeton University Store.

PDS Senior Receives  
National Recognition

Amarilys Bernacet, a senior at Princeton Day School (PDS), received recognition as a Scholar in the National Hispanic Recognition Program.

Ms. Bernacet, who lives in Trenton with her family, has

made the honor roll during each year in high school at PDS.

She is a member of the Aware Club, a group that addresses multi-cultural issues. In addition, Ms. Bernacet sings with the Madrigal Choir and the A Cappella singers, and she fences with the PDS fencing team.

The National Hispanic Recognition Program, established in 1983, is a College Board program that provides national recognition of the exceptional academic achievements of Hispanic high school seniors and encourages their recruitment by colleges and universities.

Students enter the program by taking the standardized PSAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test as high school juniors or by identifying themselves as Hispanic.

Ms. Bernacet is one of 3,400 Hispanic high school students to be recognized across the country from more than 200,000 students nationwide.

Stuart Country Teacher  
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Anne Soos, the head of the Upper School at Stuart Country Day School of the Sacred Heart, has been invited by the College Board to go to the New York Institute of Technology to instruct other educators on how to teach Advanced Placement (AP)

Environmental Science. "I've been wanting to do this for a long time," said Ms. Soos. "I have always found this type of course very helpful, especially getting information about how Advanced Placement exams are graded and what kinds of knowledge students need. I hope I will be able to help other teachers establish a successful program in environmental science."

AP courses are part of the College Board's program to give students an opportunity to take college-level courses and exams while still in high school. There are 35 courses in 19 subject areas offered by nearly 14,000 secondary schools around the world.

Stuart Country Day School offers 11 AP courses in the subject areas of art, English, foreign language, history, mathematics, and science. Following last spring's exams, five Stuart students received AP Scholar Awards for their outstanding academic performance and seven more received awards as Scholars with Honor and Scholars with Distinction.

A teacher of Stuart's AP Environmental Science course since its inception in 1997, Ms. Soos is enthusiastic about AP courses and what they offer both students and teachers. "AP classes are a great way to bring college-level instruction to high schools, and they set a



**A DEDICATED STUDENT:** Even the birth of daughter Hilda Ovalle didn't keep Alina Osorio from a single English as a Second Language (ESL) class at the YWCA Princeton. Alina and 3-day old Hilda are in the foreground; behind them are Instructor Joan Salmang and Alina's sister Ana Osorio, also an ESL student. Both sisters originally are from Colombia; all in the photo are Princeton residents.

national standard for the Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, and as a Navy radioman.

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**BILINGUAL STORY HOUR:** Melissa Urias, 7, right, and Pamela Herrera, 8, listen as Sofia Soto, a day care assistant at Merwick Rehabilitation Center, reads aloud from a Spanish children's book. The Arts Council's recent "Making New Friends: Books and You" program on Sunday included story hours in English and Spanish and a craft station where children could make book-  
marks and book plates.

(Photo by Rebecca Blackwell)



**CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE:** Tiffany Kontoyiannis, 8, and Joey Moffitt, 13, pick out books at the Arts Council on a recent Sunday. Neighborhood children up to age 14 were invited to choose from approximately 300 new and slightly used books donated by Micawber Books and private donors.

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## People

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On behalf of **Robert J. Maguire** of Princeton, the Greater New York City Boy Scouts of America were presented with a \$1,500 grant by The National Automotive Dealers Charitable Foundation (NADCF). Mr. Maguire is chief executive officer of Maguire Automotive Group in Bordentown.

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support to public and private colleges and secondary schools, institutions involved in economic education, and emergency medical organizations.

**U.S. Army Pvt. Mark D. Thompson**, the son of Dennis and Joanne Thompson of Skillman, recently graduated from the cable systems installer-maintainer advanced individual training course at Fort Gordon, Augusta, Ga.

Pvt. Thompson, a 1997 graduate of Montgomery High School, was trained to install, operate, and maintain cable and wire communications systems, digital multiplexers, remote multiplexing combiners, telephone lines, communications security devices and similar equipment.

The ninth collection of poems by **Paul Muldoon**, the Howard G.B. Clark Professor of the Humanities and director of the Creative Writing Program at Princeton University, has been published by Farrar Straus Giroux.

Entitled *Moy Sand and Grouel*, the collection is his first since *Hay* (1998). The Times Literary Supplement called Mr. Muldoon "the most significant English-language

poet born since the Second World War."

Paul Muldoon is the author of eight previous books of poetry. He lives with his wife, writer Jean Hanff Korelitz, and their two children, near Princeton.

Discover Magazine has included three Princeton University faculty members, **Howard Daubechies**, **Elizabeth Gould**, and **Shirley Tilghman**, in a list of "The 50 Most Important Women in Science." The magazine compiled the list and published it in its November 2002 issue.

"To read their stories is to



Paul Muldoon

understand how important it is that the barriers facing McDonough has announced Prior to entering law school, women in science be broken that **Lorraine Sciarra**, for he was a member of the down as quickly and entirely merly University counsel, has English faculty at the as possible," the magazine been promoted to senior Uni-Lawrenceville School for asserted in introducing brief versity counsel, and serves as seven years. He also earned a descriptions of the work of the University's senior legal master's degree from Stan each scientist. "If just one of adviser in Mr. McDonough's ford University and a doctoral these women had gotten fed absence. Sciarra has been a degree from Columbia up and quit — as many do — Princeton staff member for University. the history of science would 13 years. have been impoverished."

**Sankar Suryanarayanan**, Former General Counsel **Howard Ende**, who was a member of the legal staff for 28 years, has left Princeton University to become president of the Mpala Wildlife Foundation. He also has joined the Princeton office of Drinker, Biddle, and Reath, a national law firm based in Philadelphia.

**Clayton Marsh**, a 1985 Princeton graduate, has been named University counsel. A 1997 graduate of the University of Michigan Law School, Mr. Marsh has been practic-

Dr. Gould, a professor of psychology, has had a major impact in neuroscience research by helping to break down one of the field's primary beliefs: that the brains of adult animals can never grow new nerve cells. Her work has shown that the brain evolves throughout life and that new cells may play an important role in how the mind functions.

The magazine cited Dr. Tilghman, University president and professor of molecular biology, for her studies of genetic imprinting, a phenomenon by which some genes are turned off, or silenced, depending on whether they came from the organism's mother or father.

**Eric Quiñones** has joined the Office of Communications at Princeton University as a media relations officer/staff writer.

He will be responsible for writing news releases, handling certain media inquiries and preparing articles for the Princeton Weekly Bulletin.

Mr. Quiñones worked for five years as a writer and editor with the Associated Press in New York. In addition, he has been a writer and editor for a mobile software firm in Illinois and a freelance writer for The New York Times and The Star-Ledger of Newark, N.J.

A graduate of Indiana University, he also has written for Indiana Alumni magazine and for the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business.

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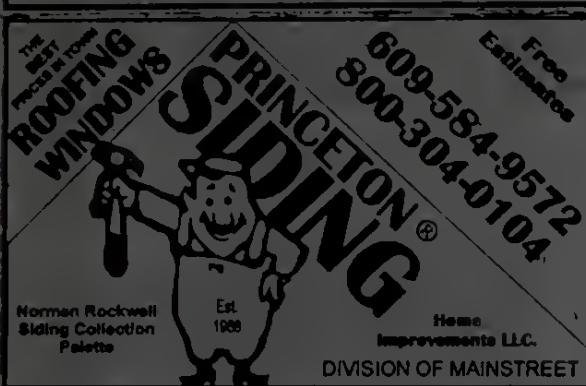
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**OBITUARIES**

documentaries, one of which won the top award from the Health Sciences Communications Association. She also assisted in editing and marketing *The Fire Inside*, a book co-written by her husband.

Daughter of Jean Jubelirer of Cincinnati, Ohio, and the late Richard Jubelirer, she is survived by her husband; a son, Chris; and a brother, Steven Jubelirer, M.D., of Charleston, W. Va.

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enjoyed reading, writing poetry and crocheting.

Wife of the late Gerard Dalglish, she is survived by sons William of Princeton and Daniel of Mount Laurel; three grandsons and two great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was November 22 at the Branchburg Funeral Home in Branchburg, followed by interment in St. Bernard's Cemetery, Bridgewater.

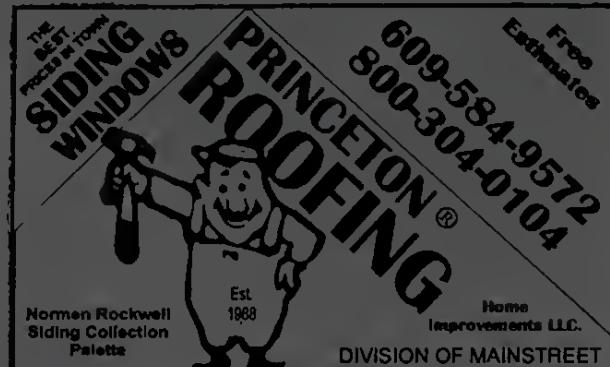
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gate Palmolive Research Center in Piscataway, where he was responsible for developing new computer technology.

Mr. Gregory was a self-taught photographer who worked primarily in black and white. His photographs were featured in solo exhibitions at Johnson and Johnson Consumer Products Gallery, Bernstein Gallery, Princeton University, and Cameron Gal-

lery. His photographs appeared in many New Jersey magazines and newspapers. He was also responsible for a photographic record of the work of the sculptor Joe Brown for the archives of the Joe Brown Foundation.

He is survived by his wife, Helen Schwartz; a son, Charles W. Jr. of Pittsfield, Mass.; a daughter, Elizabeth Rylak of Jobstown; stepchildren Lisa Schwartz of New

York City and Eric Schwartz of Wilmington, Del.; a brother, Jim, of Grants Pass, Ore.; and three grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Patient Advocates for Advanced Cancer Treatments Inc., 1143 Parmelee Northwest, Grand Rapids, Mich. 49504.

**Opal Eva Fox**, 89, of Princeton, died November 19 at home.

Born in Eldorado, Okla., she lived in Princeton with her daughter for the last 15 years.

A school teacher in Missouri for 36 years, she was an avid golfer, bridge player, and tennis player.

Wife of the late Orville W. Fox, she is survived by her daughter, Donna K. Neas of Princeton; three grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

A private memorial service is planned.

Arrangements were under the direction of Mather-Hodge Funeral Home.

**Giulia Perna**, 88, of Princeton, died November 21 at the Merwick Unit of The Medical Center at Princeton.

Born in Pettoranello, Italy, she came to the United States in 1948 and settled in Princeton.

She was employed with the Princeton Regional School System for 26 years before retiring in 1975.

A member of St. Paul's Church, she was an avid gardener.

Daughter of the late Florindo and Isadora Pirone and wife of the late Camillo A. Perna, she is survived by a nephew and several great nieces and great nephews.

A funeral was held November 25 at the Mather-Hodge Funeral Home, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Paul's Church with burial in St. Paul's Cemetery.

**Anna Marie Perpetua**, 92, of Plainsboro, died November 20 at Meadow Lakes in Hightstown.

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Born in Oakmont, Pa., she lived in Princeton for 32 years and Skillman for 37 years before moving to Plainsboro two years ago.

She was employed as an operator for Bell Telephone in Princeton for several years. She also worked with her husband's business, The Key Shop, in Princeton from 1931 to 1980.

A parishioner of St. Paul's Church, she enjoyed gardening, baking, and crafts.

Daughter of the late Jacob and Marie (Lepold) Mattes, and wife of the late Charles V. Perpetua Sr., she is survived by two sons, Charles V. Jr. of Spruce Pine, N.C., and Gerald W. of Plainsboro; a brother, Joseph Mattes of Highstown; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

A funeral was held November 23 at the Mather-Hodge Funeral Home, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Paul's Church. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery in Hamilton.

Memorial contributions may

be made to the Health Care Ministry of St. Paul's Church, 214 Nassau St., Princeton 08540.

**Jerry Press**, 70, of Princeton, died November 21 at Princeton Nursing Home.

Born in Philadelphia, Pa., he was raised in Hammonton. He was a graduate of Drexel University in Philadelphia.

An insurance executive, he worked for the Aon Company for many years.

He is survived by his wife, Martha Fischer Press, and two sons, Robert and Joshua.

A graveside service was held on November 24 at Rodef Shalom Cemetery in Cardiff.

Arrangements were by Roth-Goldsteln's Memorial Chapel in Atlantic City.

**William H. Gager**, 85, of Princeton, died November 20 at Mercer County Geriatric Center.

Born in Millville, he received a B.S. degree from Rutgers University and an M.A. degree from Trenton State College.

He retired as a school teacher in the Linden School System, and was a motor carrier for the Trenton Times for 20 years. With his wife, he was a poultry farmer for many years on Canal Road in Princeton.

He was a member of the New Jersey Farm Bureau.

Son of the late Charles and Amber Gager and husband of the late Dorothy Trumm Gager, he is survived by a daughter, Jacqueline O'Donnell of Ewing, and a step-grandson.

The funeral was held November 23 at the Kimble Funeral Home, with Mr. Gager's nephew, the Rev. William Gager, officiating. Burial was in Rocky Hill Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, Central N.J. Chapter, 12 Roszel Road, Suite C201, Princeton 08540.

## RELIGION

### Hispanic Scholar to Speak At Princeton Seminary

Princeton Theological Seminary and the Hispanic Theological Initiative will present their third annual joint lectureship on Tuesday, December 3 at 7:30 p.m. in the Main Lounge of the Mackay Campus Center.

The lecturer, Dr. Elizabeth Conde-Frazier, assistant professor of religious education at the Claremont School of Theology, will speak on "Hispanic Bible Institutes: Seeking Empowering Postmodern Alternatives for Theological Education."

Respondents to Conde-Frazier's lecture will be Dr. Roberto Pasmino, professor of Christian education at Andover Newton Theological Seminary and the Rev. Israel Mercedes, pastor of Iglesia Vision Evangelica in Providence, R.I.

The Hispanic Theological Initiative is funded by the Pew Charitable Trusts and has been housed at Princeton Seminary since July 1999. It is an innovative program created in response to the need voiced by religious leaders and pastors in Latino/a communities throughout the p.m.

United States for more, and more highly qualified, Latino/a candidates for faculty and administrative positions at seminaries and universities. The program provides doctoral-level grants, mentoring, and workshops for such candidates. Dr. Conde-Frazier was herself one of the program's scholarship recipients.

Dr. Conde-Frazier has written on Hispanic Protestant spirituality and ethics and about teaching for social justice, and her dissertation was a case study on two Hispanic Bible Institutes in Massachusetts and the differences in their pedagogy and educational philosophy.

The lecture at the Seminary will be preceded by a dinner and Hispanic music at 5:30 p.m. in the Mackay Campus Center. Tickets are \$9 per adult, \$4 per child 12 and under, and \$22 per family. A reception will follow the lecture.

For more information, call the Hispanic Theological Initiative at 252-1721.

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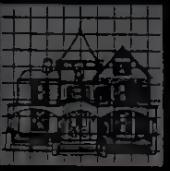
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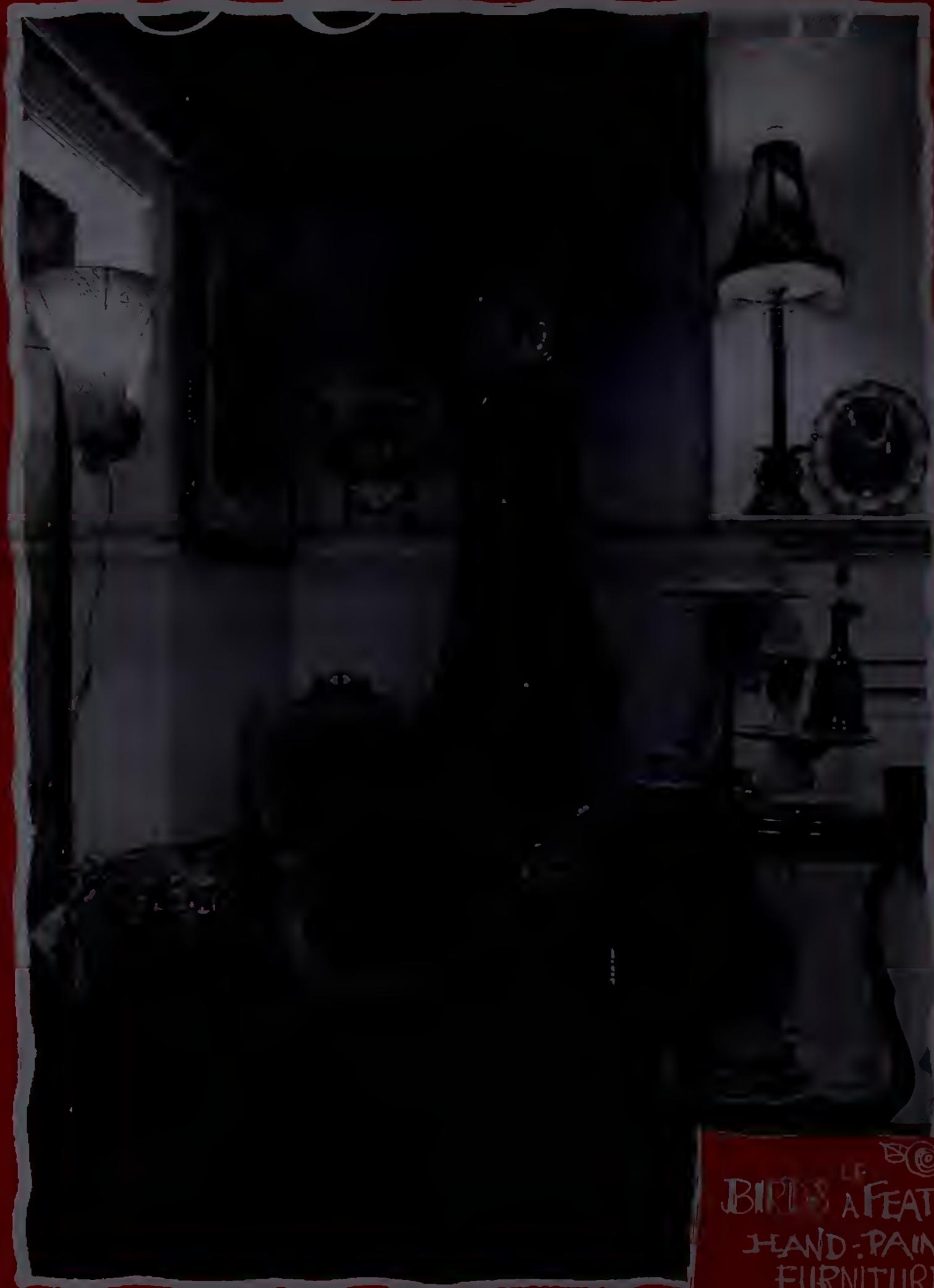
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## Holiday Dreams, Holiday Dilemmas Converge as Festive Season Arrives

Decisions! Decisions! A fresh cut tree, an artificial tree? A real wood fire or a gas log fire? Baking the cookies or buying the cookies?

With all the fun and festivities surrounding the holidays, there are also dilemmas. Balancing the requirements of time (or lack of!) and tradition is not always easy.

Take the tree. The centerpiece of many homes at Christmas, it is most often a

fresh cut variety in this area, right tree is a ritual in many families, with parents and also popular with those who enjoy planting it later. Artificial trees, which can look like an abundance of trees, it can be hard to choose, but a neighbor remembers World War II when fresh cut trees were less available.

So much of the holidays is filled with tradition, memories, experiences, and associations, that choices are often together for one good-looking dependent on the familiar tree!" he reports.

and what went before. Going out to find just the

last exclaims, "There's already enough that is artificial today. Let's have the real thing!"

### Very Real

Despite the fact that nothing comes close to that wonderful evergreen scent, allergies, falling needles, leaky tree stands, and constant watering are all reasons people opt for artificial trees. "Not one that looks like a green bottle brush!" points out an old friend. "But many are beautiful and very real-looking. They do have to be assembled, decorated, undecorated, however — and then try to fit it back in the box!"

She also recalls having lived in California in a small apartment, and wanting to decorate for the holidays, she found small table trees in a Beverly Hills variety store. "But they were either white, pink or blue. I asked the salesperson if there were any green ones, and she answered, 'Green ones? Oh, no. No one wants green ones!'"

An artificial tree can also reduce arguments over alignment. "A little more to the right — no, the left. Is it straight? It's leaning!" Setting up the tree can often tax even the most easy-going personality.

But, whether it is the real thing or an artificial version,



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It can certainly look beautiful when all the decorating is complete. As a Princeton friend says, "It's wonderful to turn off all the lights in the room except the tree lights, and then sit and enjoy the glow."

At the same time, you can also savor a cozy fire in the fireplace. The real thing? With all that entails? Or the more and more popular gas log fires? There are strong feelings for both, and again, it really comes down to tradition versus convenience.

One may have wonderful memories of helping Dad to start the fire, scrunching up the newspaper, getting the kindling, making sure the flue

is open, then lighting it up, er, and with different types of logs available, they look these efforts. And there is nothing quite like the crackle and scent of a fresh log in the going out in the cold or snow to get the wood. Also, in

### "Sit a Fire"

"I love the smell and the sound of wood burning," says my Princeton neighbor. "And I love to sit and look at it. When we lived in Scotland, our neighbors were surprised to hear that some people in the U.S. didn't have fireplaces. 'Then, what do you look at when you visit?' they asked. They had an expression: 'to go sit a fire,' meaning to visit."

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"I was a child in Nebraska during the years of drought some houses which have very following the Depression, and sensitive smoke detectors, the most of what we got were clothes and home-made things. My grand nieces still use the cradle Dad made for my doll, and also the table with two benches with backs he made for my sister and me. It was painted bright red. We just loved it, and we played 'restaurant' with it. We were thrilled with what we received for Christmas."

Those with gas logs report that they light the fire much more often than when they were coping with real wood fires.

Because the holidays are so intertwined with memories, people — whatever their tradition — do tend to enjoy the nostalgia that this season always evokes.

"Everyone is different, but mostly, what I want is for the holidays to be what I grew up with," says a New York friend, now returned to her Nebraska roots.

able to create enchanting handmade cards and wrapping paper (some use regular craft paper and decorate with colorful stickers, stencils, and stamps), many others are too rushed. And with so many women working outside the home now, there often just is not enough time to spend knitting, needlepointing, sewing, building, or creating — even though these activities avoid the commercial crush.

This is also true of decorating the house. There was a time when people made their own wreaths and door swags, but with so many wonderful choices available in the nurseries and garden centers, it is a lot easier to buy them ready-made. Undecorated ones still allow opportunity for your individual creativity.

People with big houses and who entertain extensively during the holidays often hire professionals to decorate their homes. A time-saver, for sure! Others still look upon this as a family activity, with the outcome a personal reflection of those who live within.

Another friend notes that it can be fun to incorporate a new decorative scheme within the overall traditional look. "This can be refreshing and different. Last year, we placed beautiful wired gold ribbon along the center of the table. Because of the wire, it stood up in curving loops, and then we added small tea candles within each loop, and large candles in the center. It was beautiful."

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"Other years, I had intertwined ribbon all along the roping on the mantel, but this was a completely new look, and it is good to try new things."

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lous prepared baskets in able cameras, one panorama many of the gourmet shops, and one underwater (for and they can also be customized for you. someone who doesn't want to take expensive camera equipment on a trip).

If you have the time and are inclined, it can be fun to create a special basket according to the recipient's interests. For instance, for the person who loves to do scrapbooking, find items which can be used in that hobby: special scissors, stencils, pens, scrapbook paper. For the photographer, an album with non-acid paper, non-acid pens, film, and a couple of dispos-

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**Shopper's Dream**

Then, there is the personal shopper. When time is really tight, you can find your way to one of these professional helpers. One friend actually performed this service a few years ago in New York, and it was, as she says, "A shopper's dream!"

"We were given a budget for each person's gift. We would then interview the client, see his or her list of recipients and find out the interests of each individual ('Ermintrude loves costume jewelry, big and chunky; Harold's hobby is collecting die cast cars, etc.') We then went shopping or asked one of our elves to do it. We had a great time, and there were many memorable stories.

"My favorite is the assignment which we gave one of our elves. She met with a Wall Street executive, who wanted to give his mistress some expensive jewelry. Our elf went to our jeweler contact on 47th Street, and he let her borrow some very expensive (in the \$thousands) emerald jewelry. She hopped on the subway, the quickest

way to Wall Street, having tucked the jewelry inside her undergarments next to her chest! The Wall Street exec made his choice, paid our elf, who then giftwrapped it on site, and returned via subway to the jeweler's with the rest of the jewelry safely intact!"

Of course, for many, Christmas would not be Christmas without that last minute rush to the stores and the chance to enjoy the festive decorations and displays. For some, it can be social — shopping with friends or family; for others, it is bound up in those holiday memories — recalling times spent shopping with or for someone special. And it is still one of the best ways to take a little one to see Santa!

One friend, formerly of Princeton, now in California, remembers being in a quandary about gifts for her kids and her husband, and after struggling to no avail, inviting them to go shopping with her!

"It eliminated the element of surprise, but they really got what they wanted. And we made it a fun outing, went to lunch, and most important, spent the time together."

**Time-Honored**

Being together is one of the pleasures of the holidays, and many have happy memories of that favorite Yuletide tradition — baking cookies. This is a time-honored custom in many households, even those where people are very busy. And it often begins right after Thanksgiving.

My Nebraska friend, an experienced cookie-baker, says, "I don't know any other way. I have already started with the fanciest cookies, the

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butter spritz Christmas trees and wreaths that I decorate with brilliant-colored butter icing. Last of all will be the brownies, chewy and nutty; they need to be as fresh as possible. And the Christmas wreaths of bread dough decorated with cut-out musical instruments and dusted with sesame seeds.

"I also remember the fruitcakes my mother baked, always the day after Thanksgiving. Fruit soaked in brandy, and when the cakes were baked, they were wrapped in brandy-soaked cloths. I made them, too, in New York, in a challenging oven that didn't have a thermostat!"

Hers happens to be a delicious fruitcake, but fruitcake is not loved by everyone; and another friend reminds us of the legend of the same fruitcake passed from person to person each Christmas — the pinnacle of recycling!

Also, a very good cook, she always loves the aroma of cookies baking, but points out, "If one has time to bake from scratch, that's great, but what's wrong with the Pillsbury slice and bake cookies?"

### "Cookie Exchange"

"When we first moved to Connecticut, I was asked to join a "Cookie Exchange" group. I worked for hours on a recipe for mincemeat cookies, which I thought were superb! They couldn't hold a candle to some of the other creations, though, and, as always, mine were very brown on the bottom. I did, however, make hundreds of them, which I gave to neighbors. After a few years of mediocre cookies, my husband tactfully suggested that I give our neighbors 'your famous cranberry compote.' From then on, it was cranberry compote (lots of brandy) or bourbon balls (lots of bourbon)!"

She also vouches for the super cookies (minus brown bottoms) in many gourmet shops.

My Princeton neighbor agrees that buying baked goods is certainly more convenient, and there are delicious alternatives out there. But, she adds, nothing compares to the fun and wonderful aroma of baking at home.

"My mother-in-law made 'sand' tarts — thin, thin sugar cookies that melt in your mouth. The secret was butter

and rose water. She had to bake them faster than the kids could eat them.

"Also, early in December, when I was little, my aunt let me help with her sugar cookies. They were rolled out in mounds, sprinkled with sugar and cinnamon, and I put a walnut piece on top of each!"

Christmas cookies, though wonderful, can also be a serious problem. To diet or not to diet during the holidays? This is a dilemma of huge proportion when you consider the number of parties, dinners, and events, all overflowing with calorie-packed goodies.

"It is very hard to say 'I am going to have just one cookie,' says a friend, who from time to time gives in to temptation. "I think if you've been dieting, it's best to be moderate over the holidays, but don't deprive yourself. There

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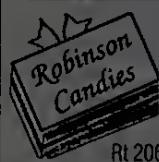
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is just too much delicious food."

Adds the personal shopper: "I definitely do not believe in dieting during the holidays! I do think it's good to remember quantity and not gorge yourself at each party. But wait until January to cut out all the good stuff. It only comes once a year!"

"If you feel you must be careful, here are some tips on not gaining weight during the holidays — they're not fun, but they might work. Eating half a sandwich before going to a party, trying to pick out low-calorie food: celery, carrots, without dip, etc., drinking club soda with lime instead of liquor — very hard when they're serving Dom Pérignon! Good luck!"

Delicious baked treats are often a welcome Christmas gift, but as everyone knows, we have all been on the receiving end of some gifts we would like to return.

One friend reports that her least-liked gift is "a gift for the house from someone who comes over a lot. Because even if I don't like it, I have to use it!"

### Nix List

Another thinks that "stockings, knee socks, practical underwear (not Victoria's Secret), bathrobes that make me look like I'm in a retirement home, dressy denim trimmed with rhinestone, and slipper socks are not fun under the Christmas tree."

Also on the nix list: "Too many chotchkies or knick-knacks — unless they have really special meaning."

On the other hand, says my neighbor, it's the thought that counts! "Getting the right gift can be a challenge, and if someone has given thought to a gift and made an effort to choose and wrap an item they feel is just right for you, then the response on your

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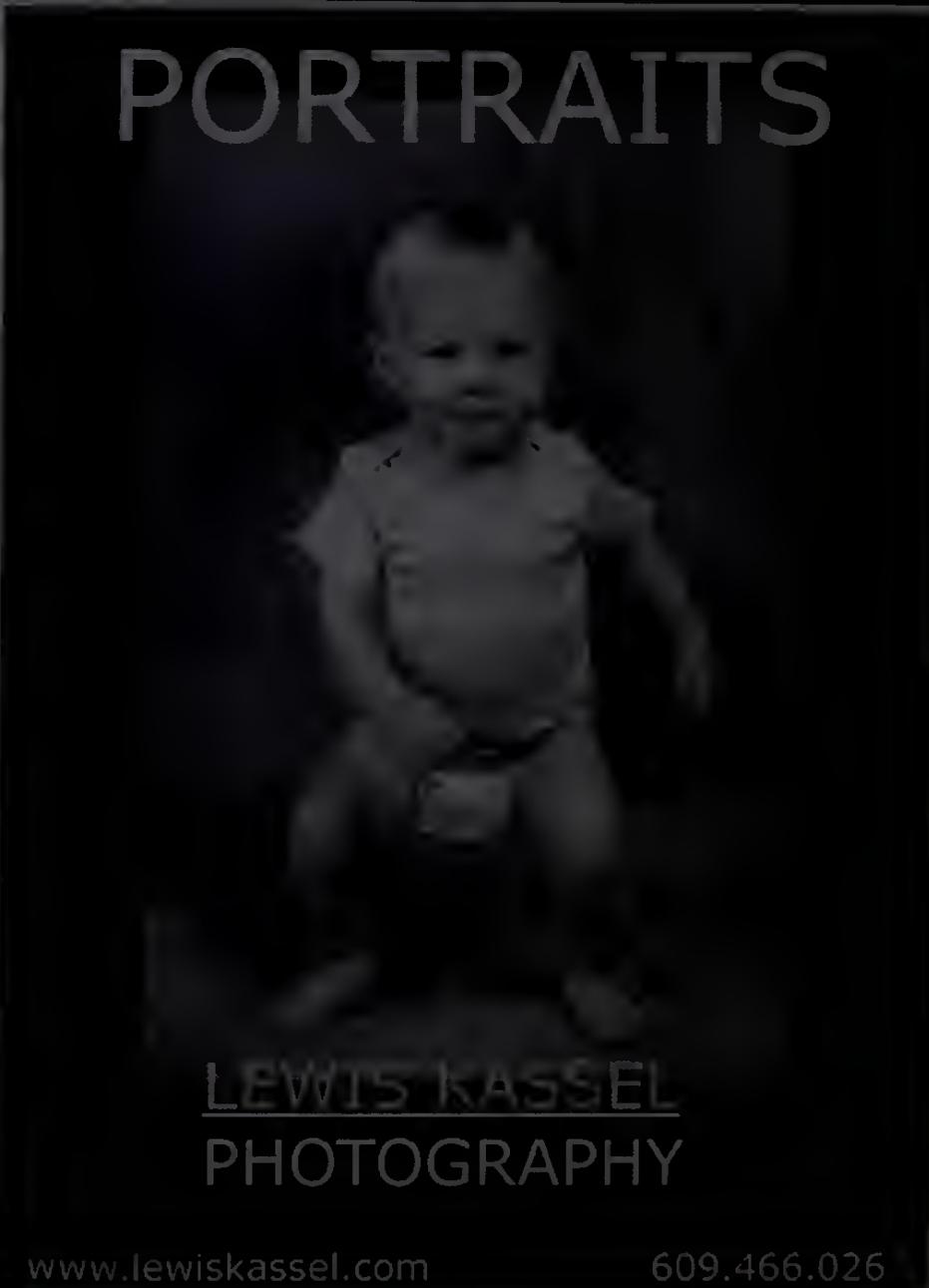
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part is important: to appreciate what is given, because of the thought behind it, even if it's not exactly what you had in mind."

My New York friend is always grateful — no matter what. "I don't care what it is as long as it's a present, and I can unwrap it!"

Just about everyone agrees that the best gift need not be expensive, but something significant and personal; something you wouldn't buy for yourself, but that you really love!

Being at home for the holidays is very important for many, while others look forward to far away places with family or friends.

One friend reports visiting a small town in Mexico over the holidays, staying in a small hotel and participating in the Hispanic traditions with the residents of the town. It was a memorable Christmas for the whole family.

For a lot of us, home has become even more important after September 11, and so has sharing this special sea-



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son with family and those close to us. Christmas and Hanukkah celebrations continue traditions that will be passed down through the generations.

Whether the holiday dinner is at home (still most popular), catered, or at a restaurant, it is the company you keep that counts. And that

can also include some people who might be alone during the holiday.

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## Tokyo String Quartet Joins Alicia de Larrocha For Her Final Performance in Princeton

For more than 75 years, Spanish pianist Alicia de Larrocha has been garnering worldwide acclaim for her artistry at the keyboard, especially in the repertoire of the Classical period. Ms. de Larrocha brought this artistry to McCarter Theatre for the last time on Wednesday night as she joined the Tokyo String Quartet for a performance of Mozart's Piano Concerto in A Major, K. 414, arranged for piano quintet, as part of her retirement year concert activities.

This concerto, composed in 1783, originally included horns and oboes as well as strings, and the challenge in rearranging such works as these for smaller ensembles is always retaining the textual contrast that existed between the winds and strings. The four members of the Tokyo String Quartet, violinists Martin Beaver and Kikuei Ikeda, violist Kazuhide Isomura and cellist Clive Greensmith, had no trouble reminding the full-house audience of the different colors of the piece through dynamic contrasts and a solidity of performance derived from years of playing together. It was especially noteworthy that although Mr. Beaver only joined the ensemble within this past year, his playing style blended perfectly with second violinist Mr. Ikeda.

### A Nice Contrast

The inherent light texture of Mozart's K. 414 concerto suited the intimate orchestration of a string quartet and piano. The Quartet found a nice contrast between what would have been strings and winds together against strings alone, and the Quartet's consistent blend set up well the solo piano entries.

Ms. de Larrocha showed herself still to be a delicate player, with precision that was enhanced by the Quartet. A spirited left hand effectively brought out rhythmic figures, and a duet between the piano and first violin was almost more convincing than it would have been in a piano/orchestral arrangement. Ms. de Larrocha's cadenzas were played clearly and precisely, with dedication to musical intention, rather than flashy solo playing.

The Tokyo String Quartet showed its most blended sound during the hymn-like sections of the Concerto, such as the opening of the second movement Andante. This

movement in particular resembled parlor music, as de Larrocha provided an ethereal right hand part. Mr. Greensmith consistently played a solid, but not overbearing cello line to support the rest of the ensemble. The continuous communication between Mr. Greensmith and Mr. Beaver no doubt contributed to the stability of performance throughout the concert.

### Hymn-Like Precision

Bracketing the Mozart work were two other chamber works of the Classical period: Schubert's String Quartet in E flat Major, and the first of Beethoven's "Razumovsky" quartets, Op. 59 in F Major. The Schubert work opened with the same hymn-like precision that the Quartet displayed in the Mozart. From this opening piece, the Quartet demonstrated its ability to lower the dynamic range to almost inaudible at times, with the two violins setting their tone as not heavily inundated with vibrato.

The violinists showed more vibrancy in the Beethoven, as Mr. Beaver shifted particularly well between the major and minor colors of the first movement Allegro. Mr. Greensmith continued to demonstrate a consistently artful cello sound, as the Quartet reached its fullest volume in this work. The upper register of the viola, as played by Mr. Isomura, was almost like a fifth instrument joining the ensemble with its richness.

Chamber audiences seem to be different than orchestral audiences in their reverence for the music. The audience at McCarter Theatre on Wednesday night was absolutely silent for much of the concert, without the shifting and coughs one often hears throughout orchestral concerts. This silence helped give the impression that the audience was being drawn into the Quartet's world, and the Quartet in turn used this atmosphere to create a truly intimate concert experience.

Alicia de Larrocha has announced that she will retire at the conclusion of the 2002-2003 season, which made Wednesday night's performance all that much more special. The Tokyo String Quartet, however, has been a friend to Princeton audiences for a number of years, both at McCarter and in Richardson Auditorium, and hopefully will be in the years to come. —Nancy Plum

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## Organist to Perform Advent Concert at Church

David Messineo, principal organist at Princeton University, will be performing at Blawenburg Reformed Church on Sunday, December 1 at 7:30 p.m. The concert is the first in an Advent series at the church. The program will include Concerto by Johann Gottfried Walther, Scherzo by Enrico Bossi, several selections from J.S. Bach and Alexandre Guilmant, and chorale preludes on familiar hymns.

A reception will follow the concert. Everyone is welcome.

Prior to his appointment at Princeton University, Dr. Messineo was minister of music at the Glen Ridge Congregational Church. Since 1988 he has been professor of organ at Montclair State University.

He received his formal training at the Juilliard School in New York City, where he received the degrees of Mus. B., M.M., and doctorate of musical arts with honors in organ performance.

Dr. Messineo is especially known for his expertise in the field of romantic music and orchestral transcriptions. He also plays the theater organ and has accompanied the original silent movie, *Phantom of the Opera* at Radio City Music Hall.

The Blawenburg Reformed Church is located at 424 Route 518, two and one-half miles west of Route 206. For further information, call 466-3108.

## Musical Amateurs Presents the "Messiah"

"Musical Amateurs," a group started in 1935 by Professor Roy Dickinson Welch, chairman of the Princeton University Music Department, will present a read-through of Handel's *Messiah* on Sunday, December 8 at 4 p.m. at the Princeton Unitarian Church, at the corner of Route 206 and Cherry Hill Road.

Scott McCoy, a member of the voice faculty of Westminster Choir College will con-



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#### University Jazz Program To Present Outreach Concert

The Princeton University Concert Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Ensemble II, Horace Silver Ensemble, and Fusion Ensemble will take audience members on a musical journey through the evolution of jazz styles when they present the jazz outreach concert, "What is Jazz?" on Sunday, December 8 at 3 p.m. in Richardson Auditorium located on the Princeton campus.

Tickets are \$15, \$5 for children under 12, and may be purchased at the box office at Richardson.

Anthony D.J. Branker, conductor of University Jazz Ensembles and senior lecturer in music at Princeton University, will provide commentary and address such questions as "What makes jazz 'swing?'" "How do jazz musicians improvise?" and "What should you listen for in a jazz

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#### University Orchestra Sets Concerts in Richardson

The Princeton University Orchestra, under the direction of Michael Pratt, continues its 2002-2003 season with concerts in Richardson Auditorium on Friday and Saturday, December 6 and 7, at 8 p.m.

Joining Mr. Pratt and the orchestra will be two members of the Brentano String Quartet, the resident ensemble at Princeton. Violinist Serena Canin and cellist Nina Maria Lee will perform the solos in Johannes Brahms' Double Concerto for Violin and Violoncello in A minor.

Princeton audiences have

heard Ms. Canin and Ms. Lee numerous times as members of the award winning Brentano Quartet. This is a wonderful opportunity for audience and orchestra alike to experience these dynamic performers in another role.

"The Brahms Double is one of the richest and most nobly moving works for solo string instruments and orchestra in the entire canon," said Mr. Pratt.

An accomplished chamber musician, Serena Canin was twice invited to the Marlboro Music Festival and has toured the United States with Music From Marlboro, the Brandenburg Ensemble, and Goliard Concerts. In New York, Ms. Canin performs regularly with the Orchestra of St. Luke's and the Sea Cliff Chamber Players. She has degrees from Swarthmore College and the Juilliard School.

Nina Maria Lee has collaborated with many artists such as Felix Galimir, Jaime Laredo, David Soyer, Nobuko Imai, and Isidore Cohen, and has performed at the Marlboro and Tanglewood Music Festivals. She has toured with Musicians from Marlboro and has participated in the El Paso International Chamber Music Festival. She is the recipient of bachelor's and master's degrees in music from the Juilliard School.

After intermission, Mr. Pratt and the orchestra will

perform Dmitri Shostakovich's monumental Symphony No. 10. "It was written partly as a response to the death of Soviet tyrant Josef Stalin, who was a personal demon in the composers' life. The Tenth is regarded by some as the composer's greatest symphonic work. Expressions of rage and near despair alternate with fiery elation, and the work is Beethovenian in range, dramatic power, and overwhelming intensity," said Mr. Pratt.

Tickets for the concerts, priced at \$15, students with ID \$5, are available at the Richardson Auditorium Box office (609) 258-5000, and may be reserved with Visa or MasterCard.

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Additional shows are scheduled for Friday, December 6, at 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. and Saturday, December 7, at 10:30 a.m., 2 p.m., and 5 p.m.

Tickets are \$25, \$22, and \$19. For more information, call the Patriots Theater box office at 984-8400. To order tickets by phone call Tickets.com at 800-955-5566. Online information is available at [www.bearinthebigbluehouselive.com](http://www.bearinthebigbluehouselive.com).

#### Dance Force to Present "A Children's Nutcracker"

Suburban Dance Force will present, A Children's Nutcracker, on Sunday, December 8 at Rider University's Yvonne Theater at 1 and 3:30 p.m. and at Lawrence High School on Saturday, December 21 at 4 and 6:30 p.m., and on Sunday, December 22 at 2 and 4:30 p.m.

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### Belle Mead Ballet To Perform "Nutcracker"

In the spirit of the Christmas season, the dancers and choreographers of the Belle Mead Ballet Company have trimmed the tree, wrapped the gifts and decked the halls in preparation for a holiday presentation of *The Nutcracker*, a condensed, fully narrated one-hour version of this holiday classic.

The *Nutcracker* will be touring throughout central New Jersey during the holiday season and will make appearances at the following locations:

Saturday, December 7, 7 p.m. and Sunday, December 8, 2 p.m. at Montgomery Middle School.

Saturday, December 14 at 2 p.m. at Readington/Flemington Middle School. For both locations call 497-9220 (10 a.m. - 2 p.m.) for tickets, \$6 in advance, \$9 at the door.

Saturday, December 21 and Sunday, December 22 at 2 and 4 p.m. at Kelsey Theater. Tickets can be purchased by calling the box office 584-9444, \$12 adults, \$10 seniors and children.

### Princeton Pro Musica To Present "Messiah"

Princeton Pro Musica will perform Handel's *Messiah* on Saturday, December 14, at 8 p.m. in Princeton University's Richardson Auditorium. Frances Fowler Slade, music director, will conduct the chamber chorus, orchestra, and soloists.

*Messiah* performances by Princeton Pro Musica have been a holiday tradition in central New Jersey for more than 20 years. The program alternates between performances with the full 120-voice chorus and those by the chamber chorus.

The performance will feature four acclaimed soloists. Judith Pannill, soprano, has performed as a guest soloist with the New York Vocal Ensemble, Saint Thomas Church, the Choral Arts Society of Washington, and the Eugene Concert Choir.

Drew Minter, countertenor, has appeared in leading roles with opera companies in Europe and the United States. He is a founding member of the Newberry

Consort and a member of the music faculty at Vassar College.

Steven Tharp, tenor, has performed with many leading orchestras, including the Chicago Symphony, the New York Philharmonic, the Cleveland Orchestra, the Royal Philharmonic, and the Hong Kong Philharmonic.

David Arnold, baritone, made his debut with the Metropolitan Opera as Enrico de Lammermoor, and has performed with the Israel Philharmonic, the Chicago Symphony, and the Singapore Symphony.

Tickets for *Messiah* are \$25 and \$30. Discount rates for students are available. For tickets, call 683-5122.

### Folk Musical Performance To Be Held at Seminary

The Mammals, a contemporary/traditional acoustic string band, will make their Princeton debut on Friday, December 6, at 8:15 p.m. at the Mackay Campus Center of Princeton Theological Seminary. Their performance is sponsored by the Seminarians for Social Change, with production by the Princeton Folk Music Society.

The Mammals define themselves as "rekindling folk traditions and passing them on to future generations." They appear in Princeton fresh from a performance at Carnegie Hall.

The group consists of Tao Rodriguez-Seeger, grandson of the legendary Pete Seeger; art-pop songwriter Michael Merenda, and Ruth Ungar, daughter of Grammy award winning fiddler/composer Jay Ungar and folk singer Lyn Hardy.

Since they banded together in 2001, The Mammals have issued two CDs: *Evolver*, and *The Mammals, Born Alive*.

Admission to the concert is \$15 for the general public, \$10 for members of the Folk Music Society and affiliated organizations, \$3 for children age 11 and under, and special rates for students. There are no advance sales.

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**Die Another Day** (PG-13) Filled with gadgets, action and one-liners, the 20th James Bond film has Pierce Brosnan back as 007, Halle Berry as the heroine.

**8 Crazy Nights** (PG-13) Gross-out humor from Adam Sandler in a cartoon comedy loosely about the eight nights of Hanukkah.

**8 Mile** (R) Fictional biography of struggling rap artist in 1995 Detroit, starring rapper Eminem and Kim Basinger as his mother.

**El Crimen del Padre Amaro** (R) An ambitious priest succumbs to seduction and corruption in Carlos Carrera's controversial film, a huge hit in Mexico despite its condemnation by the Catholic Church.

**The Emperor's Club** (PG-13) An inspiring prep school classics teacher (Kevin Kline) must deal with a troublemaking student (Emile Hirsch).

**Far from Heaven** (PG-13) Drama set in 1950s about forbidden love—the husband's homosexuality, his wife's interracial attraction. With Dennis Quaid and Julianne Moore as the couple, Dennis Haysbert as their gardener.

**Frida** (R) Biography of Mexican artist Frida Kahlo stars Salma Hayek in lead role, Alfred Molina as muralist Diego Rivera. With Edward Norton, Geoffrey Rush and Antonio Banderas.

**Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets** (PG) Harry is back at Hogwarts in the second of seven planned films based on the popular J.K. Rowling series.

**Real Women Have Curves** (PG-13) The garment factory or college? An overweight Mexican-American high school graduate (America Ferrera) battles her mother (Lupe Ontiveros) over her future.

**The Ring** (PG-13) Remake of Japanese film "Ringu" stars Naomi Watts as journalist who discovers videotape with troubling history: all who've seen it have died quickly.

**Santa Clause 2** (G) Sequel to 1994 family comedy requires that Santa (Tim Allen) remarry.

**Solaris** (PG-13) Writer-director Steven Soderbergh's first sci-fi movie stars George Clooney as a psychologist sent to investigate the fate of a space station orbiting the planet Solaris.

**They** (PG-13) Things that go bump in the night in children's dreams become adult nightmares when "they" return. A dark horror story from Robert Harmon.

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Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets (PG): Fri.-Thurs., 11:55, 3:20, 8:45, 10:10

Santa Clause 2 (G): Fri.-Thurs., 1:10, 4:05, 8:40, 9:10

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**FOLK TRADITIONS:** Tao Rodriguez, Michael Mendena and Ruth Ungar comprise the contemporary folk music group, The Mammals who will appear in concert at the Princeton Theological Seminary.

### Princeton Pro Musica To Sing With Judy Collins

Ninety members of the Princeton Pro Musica chorus will perform with folk artist Judy Collins on Thursday, December 5, at 8 p.m., at the State Theatre in New Brunswick.

The program, entitled "A Judy Collins Christmas," will include secular and spiritual Christmas songs, as well as "Send in the Clowns" and "Chelsea Morning." The Princeton chorus will be performing songs including "I'll be Home for Christmas" and "Silver Bells."

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## ART

Hopewell Train Station  
To Feature Group Show

The newly renovated Hopewell Train Station will host an exhibit of sculpture, pottery, and hand-made baskets by several local artists from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday, November 29 through Sunday, December 1.

An opening reception will be held on Friday, November 29 from 6 to 9 p.m.

Ursula Kaplowitz, who owns the Clay Gardens, a pottery studio in Hopewell, will be the featured artist in the show. A professional who has exhibited at more sculptor and potter, she has than one dozen one-woman shows. Ms. Kaplowitz has been creating and selling her work for more than 23 years.

The Historic Hopewell Train Station is located at 2 Railroad Place in Hopewell.

For more information, call 333-9393.

Jewish Center to Feature  
One-Woman Exhibition

Local artist Phyllis Lifschutz, who works primarily in watercolor, will present her art at the Gallery of the Jewish Center from Tuesday, November 26 through Sunday, January 26.

A reception for the artist will be held on Sunday, December 8 from 2 to 4 p.m.

Ms. Lifschutz, who often finds her favorite subjects in floral arrangements and landscapes. "Flowers are an integral part of my life,"

she said. "To me they speak the language of beauty and sensitivity."

An award-winning artist in the show. A professional who has exhibited at more than one dozen one-woman shows, Ms. Lifschutz has been creating and selling her work for more than 23 years.

recently showed her work at Johnson & Johnson in Skillman.

The paintings on view in the show will be for sale, with 20 percent of the purchase price as a tax deductible donation to the Jewish Center.

The Jewish Center is OUT AND ABOUT: Pottery carved by Katherine Hackl will be among the crafts featured in the Eighth Annual Covered Bridge Artisans Show at the Jewish Center at 921-0100 or gallery co-curator Jennifer Cadoff at 497-0635.



**LOCAL ARTISANS:** This ceramic bowl by Ursula Kaplowitz will be among the works on display at the Hopewell Train Station in a group show from November 29 through December 1.

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**GIFT IDEAS:** Montgomery Center for the Arts will host an exhibit and sale of contemporary crafts by international and local artists from December 7 through December 12.

#### Montgomery Center to Hold Contemporary Craft Exhibit

Montgomery Center for the Arts will host an exhibit and sale of contemporary crafts that reflect the diversity of new artistic expressions by craftspeople from Saturday, December 7 through Thursday, December 12.

The show and sale will display one-of-a-kind functional objects, as well as those created purely for their aesthetic value, both of which are ideal for holiday gift giving.

An opening reception is scheduled for Saturday, December 7 from 2 to 5 p.m. All proceeds from the show will support future programming at Montgomery Center for the Arts.

The exhibit will feature Two basket makers' work

Internationally renowned artisans and some artists from the local Princeton area, all respectively known for their unique and attractive works.

For example, Clem Fiori will show shaped objects in wood, and a contemporary approach to glass will be reflected in Don Gonzales' works. Akiko Colcutt will present ceramics with oriental sensibility, hand-built colored porcelain will be featured in Naomi Lindenfield's work, and Shelly Jacobson will show sculptural wall tiles.

In addition, textiles will include Pat White's woven garments and Joanne Scott's All proceeds from the show will support future programming at Montgomery Center for the Arts.

The exhibit will feature Two basket makers' work

features two distinctly different styles: Helen Schwartz Princeton" can be viewed Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. and until 8 p.m. on Wednesdays. For designs. Jean West will feature beaded jewelry, in a cored fashion, and Eve Greiner will show textural surfaces and angular shapes in her layered metalsmithing techniques.

Founded in 1995 by artists in Montgomery Township, Montgomery Center for the Arts enriches the cultural and artistic life of its community and fosters an appreciation of the arts by presenting programs in the visual arts, the performing arts, and arts education.

Montgomery Center for the Arts is located in the 1860 House at 124 Montgomery Road in Skillman. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday from 10 to 3 and Sundays from 1 to 4. For more information, call 921-3272 or visit [www.montgomerycenterforthearts.org](http://www.montgomerycenterforthearts.org).

#### Princeton University Dishes Up Wedgwood

The Princeton University Archives is marking the donation of a dozen commemorative Wedgwood plates with a mini-exhibition, "Wedgwood Comes to Princeton," in the lobby of the Seeley G. Mudd Manuscript Library.

Scheduled to run through January 15, 2003, the exhibition uses plates, photographs, and documents to tell the story of the University's two officially commissioned sets of dinnerware: the first produced in 1930, and the second in 1950. Both sets were manufactured by the English firm Josiah Wedgwood & Sons Ltd.

The 1930 edition consists of 12 "Old Staffordshire Blue" plates that, with one exception, depict various scenes on campus, including Nassau Hall, the Graduate College, Whig and Clio Halls, and the University Chapel.

Sponsored by the University's Graduate Council, the 1950 edition comprises eight "Queensware" plates depicting the pen drawings of professor and artist William Feay Shellman Jr. Scenes include Firestone Library, Stanhope Hall, Stafford Little Hall, and Hamilton Court and Holder Tower.

The Seeley G. Mudd Manuscript Library, located at 65 Olden Street, is a division of the Department of Rare Books and Special Collections and a state-of-the-art repository constructed in 1976 to house the Princeton University Archives.

"Wedgwood Comes to Princeton" can be viewed Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. and until 8 p.m. on Wednesdays. For more information, call 258-6345.

#### ABC Gallery to Present Pastel "Daughters" Show

Beginning Wednesday, November 27, the ABC Gallery will host "Daughters of Eve," an exhibition that will feature pastels by Susan Wainer.

An opening reception for the exhibit, which is scheduled to run through January 3, 2003, will be held on Wednesday, November 27 from 6 to 8 p.m.

A graduate of the Philadelphia College of Art, Ms. Wainer worked as a commercial illustrator and advertiser in New York City. After some years as a full-time mother and homemaker, she found her way back to art, first working in charcoal with an abstract expressionist style.

Earlier this year, she began experimenting with color, first in a representational style with color pencils, and then in a more expressionistic style employing pastels and charcoal. The result of this transition will be on display at the ABC Gallery.

Influenced by early 20th century artists, such as Picasso, Dufy, Modigliani, and Matisse, Ms. Wainer has sought to represent the various roles filled by women.

Located in the Lambertville Free Public Library at 6 Lilly Street in Lambertville, the ABC Gallery is open Monday through Thursday from 1 to 9, Friday from 1 to 5, and Saturday from 10 to 5. For further information, call 397-0275.



**DAUGHTERS ON DISPLAY:** Pastels by Susan Wainer, including the above "Madonna," will be featured in "Daughters of Eve," an exhibition that will appear in the ABC Gallery at the Lambertville Free Public Library from November 27 through January 3.

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## Local Organizations Open Way For Holiday Charitable Giving

**T**his holiday season, the spirit is spreading.

In lieu of or in addition to giving gifts, many people choose to contribute to local community organizations that address a range of community interests and needs, including issues related to education, the arts, the environment, and health.

The 56th Annual Town Topics Christmas Fund, currently underway, will benefit Family and Children's Services of Central New Jersey (FACS).

"Princeton is a very diverse community," said Mimi Ballard, director of FACS, "not only racially and ethnically, but also economically. Though Princeton has many

wonderful attributes and services, there are not many services for low-income people that other urban centers have."

Although it has benefitted from the Town Topics Christmas Fund for more than half a century, the broader mission of FACS is to provide therapeutic counseling to those in jeopardy.

### Needs of the Family

Combining personalized care with state-of-the-art treatment technologies, FACS offers a developmental continuum of expert services by licensed professionals. Its services address fragile families, underprivileged children, at-risk youth, employee-employer issues, substance

abuse, domestic violence, and the needs of the elderly.

"We work with families to develop their strength," added Ms. Ballard, "so that they can deal with everyday life."

"One of the great aspects of contributing to the Princeton Area Community Foundation (PACF) is that you have an opportunity to contribute to those organizations that have a critical need for funding right now," said Ralph Serpe, director of development for PACF. "Individuals who care about keeping charitable dollars invested in this community can contribute to a particular field of interest."

PACF, a public benefit organization, works to connect individuals, corporations, and non-profits to each other and to issues and causes of concern within Mercer County, including women's needs, youth services, and environmental programs.

Through its management of more than 100 individual, family, and corporate funds and non-profit agency endowments, PACF provides discretionary grants and makes advised grants to non-profits after consultation with individuals or groups of donors. In 2001, PACF awarded 302 grants totaling more than \$1.2 million, and since its founding in 1991, it has granted more than \$5.2 million to the community.

"We want to help people give to Mercer County through the foundation," stated Mr. Serpe. "We can help people who want to be intentional about their giving."

especially during the holiday season."

Similarly, the United Way of Greater Mercer County (UWGMC), a community-based non-profit organization that is governed by local volunteers, sets its course based on the needs of the community.

UWGMC is committed to addressing greater Mercer County's most critical human care needs by funding programs that provide a network of care, bringing together diverse community components, and channelling resources to provide solutions for the most important human care needs in greater Mercer County.

Through its 1999-2000 campaign, \$5.1 million was earmarked by donors to specific social service agencies. With the remaining unrestricted dollars, UWGMC awarded \$2.4 million to 124 programs at 65 local agencies in four focus areas: building self-sufficiency, strengthening families, promoting health and well-being, and responding to crises.

"The work that's done here — and we've been in Princeton for more than 80 years — is part of the largest women's organization in the world," stated Catharine Vaucher, director of development for the YWCA Princeton, which seeks to meet the needs and interests of women and their families in the greater Princeton area.

The YWCA is a women's membership movement nour-

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**TIME-HONORED:** Peterson's Nursery & Landscape Center has been a mainstay of Princeton residents for 63 years, and it shows no signs of slowing down. Owner Charles Peterson is shown in the Christmas Shop by one of the many decorated theme trees. The shop is filled with ornaments, Santas, snowmen, angels, nutcrackers, decorative items, lighting supplies, as well as everything for the birds! The selection of trees, wreaths, and roping is bigger than ever and all competitively priced. Fraser and balsam fir live and cut trees are in all sizes, and decorated and undecorated wreaths, swags, 25-foot and 75-foot rolls of white pine roping are all available. A highlight is the wonderful array of poinsettias in all colors and sizes, from \$2.95, also cyclamen, paperwhites, and topiary ivy in the tranquil nursery setting featuring rippling water fountains.

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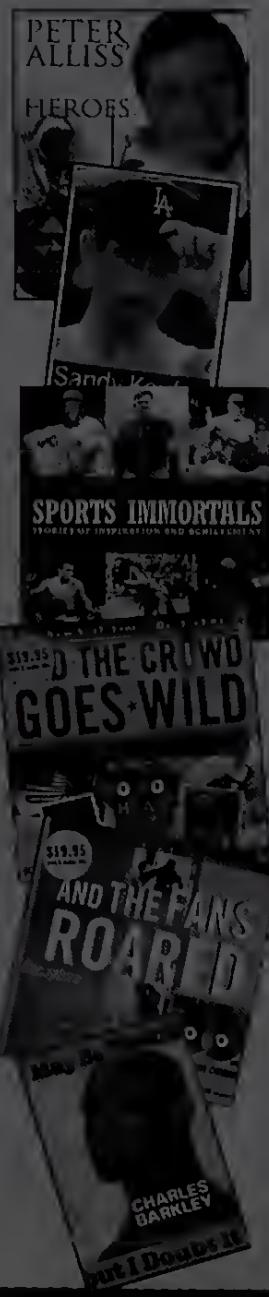
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ished by its roots in the Christian faith and sustained by the richness of many beliefs and values.

Strengthened by its diversity, the YWCA draws together members who strive to create opportunities for women's growth, leadership, and power in order to attain a common vision of peace, justice, freedom, dignity for all people, and the elimination of discrimination and racism.

"We work with the entire community and with other community organizations," added Ms. Vaucher, "to help Princeton be that much better of a community."

The YWCA Princeton's programs include an ESL literacy program, a multicultural child care facility at the Valley Road Building, and the St. Nicholas Project, which allows a local business to adopt a family and to provide for their Christmas gifts and needs.

Local educational programs address an additional, specific concern of many residents.

#### After School Care

"We serve a particular need within the community," said Dana Hughes, assistant director of Princeton Young Achievers (PYA), which seeks to empower children and their families through academic enrichment and parent outreach programs. "We are not just another after-school option."

Begun in 1993 as a partnership between the Princeton Regional School District, two sponsors of affordable housing in Princeton, and a group of concerned parents, PYA currently serves 133 children in kindergarten through fifth grade.

Its after-school programs — which are located at the Redding Circle, Princeton Community Village, and Clay Street learning centers — offer homework support, tutoring, and academic enrichment activities in an effort to increase children's engagement in learning with

academic self-confidence and foster meaningful relationships with adults.

"Anytime you contribute to an organization that supports local children," added Ms. Hughes, "you are doing something worthwhile."

Programs related to the arts and culture offer another avenue for contribution during the holiday season.

"We try to build community through the arts," said Doretta Galluci, managing director of the Arts Council of Princeton. "We are not municipally funded, so we rely heavily upon the contributions of our members and our special appeals to offer our programs."

The Arts Council, a community arts organization, seeks to nurture and support the visual, performance, and literary arts in the greater Princeton area. Through its own events and through community partnership with other arts organizations, arts educators, and artists, the Arts Council seeks to enrich the cultural life of Princeton area residents of all ages.

"There are no religious or ethnic barriers to art," stated Ms. Galluci. "People of all different nationalities come to our events and find that they

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enjoy many of the same things. Through art, we're encouraging people to discover what is common to us and to develop an understanding of different cultures."

Similarly, Artworks, a not-for-profit regional visual arts school and gallery, encourages artistic diversity and a sense of community through the enjoyment of making and viewing fine art. It believes in the value of visual arts in meeting the basic human needs of self-expression, understanding, and communication.

#### Art Education

Since 1988, Artworks has provided art education in its Trenton studio through programs such as "Learning Through Art," which is modeled after the Guggenheim Museum Children's Program to pair professional artists and teachers to use art as an educational tool, and "Access to Art," which provides art education to after school programs.

Singers Forum, a non-profit

organization dedicated to the development and appreciation of the vocal arts, targets children considered at-risk economically and environmentally.

Promoting basic learning and social skills, self-discipline, self-worth, and artistic appreciation, it provides private vocal training and music education for students in a supportive environment. Through its scholarship program, the Singers Forum offers 10 vocal scholarships to disadvantaged and at-risk youths living in Princeton in upper elementary through high school students, ages 8 to 16. *Continued on Next Page*



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#### Town Topics Christmas Fund's First Week Finds Donations Off to Promising Start

A steady flow of envelopes containing donations large and small — all equally valued and appreciated — arrived at the Town Topics office this week, bringing good cheer to the annual Christmas Fund Drive. Contributions totaled \$2,580 in this first week.

The Fund helps people like Ethel (all names have been changed), a grandmother who lives on a fixed income of Social Security and a small pension. She augments this with some housekeeping. Last winter, she slipped and broke her wrist, making it impossible for her to work for almost five months. She still managed to pay her rent and buy food, but her utility bills were in arrears. Ethel, worried and upset, turned to the Town Topics Christmas Fund, which paid her utility bills before the shut-off notice came.

Contributions are distributed throughout the year by Family & Children's Services of Central Jersey, located on John Street. Those needing help can sit down with a volunteer counselor who is willing to listen and find ways to assist.

The Fund will continue to receive donations throughout the holiday season, and it offers the opportunity to remember those in the community who need extra help to see them through a crisis.

To contribute, send a check, made payable to the Town Topics Christmas Fund, 4 Mercer Street, Princeton 08540.

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### Holiday Charities Continued from Preceding Page

The Historical Society of Princeton, located in the Bainbridge House on Nassau Street, is a museum and library dedicated to interpreting the history of Princeton through community support and involvement.

Its activities, which include exhibitions such as the ongoing "From Towpath to Bike Path: Princeton and the Delaware & Raritan Canal," are inspired by the past with the goal of informing the future.

Concerns related to the environment provide another area for holiday gift giving.

#### Land Preservation

"Land preservation in central New Jersey is a very high priority for people who live in this community," said Carol Christofferson, director of development and public relations for the Delaware & Raritan Greenway, central New Jersey's regional land trust.

D&R Greenway's goal is to support the environmental health of the 60-mile D&R canal and its associated watersheds by establishing networks of open space, linked together to form significant greenbelts that benefit people, wildlife, waterways, and biodiversity.

Since 1989, approximately 20 percent of the total population growth in New Jersey has occurred in this region, an area representing only seven percent of the total acreage of the state. Since its inception in that same year, D&R Greenway has preserved more than 4,900 acres valued at more than \$81 million.

"Over two million acres of land are being irreversibly developed in New Jersey each year," added Ms. Christofferson. "At that rate, by 2012, we will have lost so much land that we will have to import water into the state. In terms of long-term well-being in this community, land preservation is critical."

Likewise, the Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association seeks to enhance the quality of the natural environment in the 265-square mile region drained by Stony Brook and the Millstone River.

The organization addresses key issues affecting water quality and land use, educates area residents about the ecology of the natural environment, and preserves open space by maintaining a 785-acre nature reserve and a working organic farm.

#### Unique Function

Several local programs encourage both the prevention and treatment of

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### Arts Council to Kick Off "Sauce for the Goose"

The Arts Council of Princeton's ninth annual holiday art sale, "Sauce for the Goose," will be held this year from Friday, December 6 through Friday, December 20.

Kicking off the sale will be an opening celebration on Friday, December 6 from 6 to 9 p.m. that will feature refreshments generously donated by Panera Bread, music, dancing, caricatures by Arlene, and the display of works of art and fine crafts.

Throughout the month of December, "Sauce for the Goose" will feature a mix of fine art and functional crafts for sale. Past "Sauce for the Goose" shows have included paintings, drawings, functional and decorative ceramics, holiday ornaments, birds, houses, greeting cards, furniture, candles, and much more.

The artwork is placed on display in the Arts Council's WPA Gallery where the public has an opportunity to view all the exhibited pieces and purchase desired items. Through-

out the sale, customers who purchase \$30 or more in merchandise will receive a free gift.

Sale hours are Monday

through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m.

The Arts Council of Princeton is located in the Paul Robeson Building at 102 Witherspoon Street. For more information, call 924-8777 or visit [www.artscouncilofprinceton.org](http://www.artscouncilofprinceton.org).

### Howell Farm Will Host Thanksgiving Program

Howell Living History Farm, on Valley Road in Titusville, will hold its annual Thanksgiving program on Saturday, November 30.

Horsedrawn hayrides will be offered on a continuous basis from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be no charge for the rides, but donations of canned goods will be accepted for distribution to local food banks. Donors will be eligible to win doorprizes.

Sleighbells will be sold throughout the day by the Friends of Howell farm to benefit the farm's restoration projects.

Other holiday items featured include fresh evergreen wreaths and doorhangings, baskets of the farm's flour and honey, and handmade gifts.

A children's craft program, entitled "Pine Bough," will be held in the farmhouse, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Projects take 20 minutes to complete and cost \$3 each.

For information, call 737-3299.



**FUN FASHIONS:** Fun-to-wear fashions for women are offered at Be In Style on Chambers Street. You can "be in style" for holiday parties with a lovely velvet top and pants ensemble, or in one of the many Asian-influenced outfits on display. The designs of Stephanie Schuster, Monika Turtle, and FLAX are very popular, as is the store's selected, hand-done jewelry. Owner Diana Fortier is wearing a chunky necklace by Teresa Goodall, including colorful ceramic beads. Ms. Fortier's outfit, by August 27 A.M., in black, gray and gold is versatile enough for day or evening. Also available are beautiful silk and embroidered handbags and silk shawls from China, super-soft matching scarves and hats from Italy, and machine washable jackets in assorted styles by Maralycce Ferree. A share of Be In Style's profits goes to breast cancer research.

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### Annual Food Collection Drive for the Needy

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**SUPER SNOWMEN:** This cheerful group of snowmen is on display at Matteo & Co., now located at the Princeton Shopping Center. Owner Tamera Matteo offers a wonderfully eclectic selection in an elegant holiday setting. Beautiful etched hand-blown glass balls are suspended on red ribbons along side graceful glass chandeliers. Assorted beaded trees form a colorful backdrop for an array of festive items, from gorgeous beaded fruit to holiday hand towels and table linens to candles of every kind and fragrant soaps and lotions. Hard-to-get cotton and linen handkerchiefs are available, and new this year are unique hot plate trivets filled with small pebbles in a specially woven copper pouch. Also new is the "Glitz" spray in red, gold and silver, which can be safely sprayed on a white tablecloth or sweater for a hint of holiday color.

## GOING BACK TO THANKSGIVING 1957

On November 24, 1957 the located on the corner of Witherspoon and Nassau Street in Town Topics describes the mood of the week of Thanksgiving. People were moving at a slower pace and considering their blessings for Thanksgiving. There wasn't much happening in the news or at Princeton University. The town glowed as it always does in late fall and people enjoyed being out on Nassau Street, symbolizing steady growth and promise for the community.

Mr. Robert Roswell Palmer was nominated as "Princeton's Man Of The Week." He was honored for being a long time Princeton resident, Princeton University Dodge Professor of History and author of half a dozen books.

Mr. Palmer's book, "History of the Modern World" was described as the historian's historian. Another book, the "Palmer Atlas" was applauded for its creative approach to mapping out critical periods of world history from ancient civilization to the end of World War II.

Question of the week was: "How did you earn your first dollar?" Mrs. Charles Harris of Fisher Place answered, "I guess it was picking strawberries when I was 12 or 14. We got four cents a quart working for a neighbor in New York state. I remember the hot sun and the flies, and when we picked raspberries, the needles really got to us. All the kids did it. The season up there was in June and we worked 10 to 4 about four days a week."

The Nassau Tavern Hotel on Palmer Square advertised Thanksgiving dinner for \$4.00. The menu included roasted Vermont turkey, chestnut dressing, giblet gravy, cranberry sauce and pumpkin pie with whipped cream.

Davidson's was selling turkeys for 35 cents per pound, sirloin steak for 65 cents per pound and two loaves of white bread for 25 cents.

Bamberger's at the Princeton Shopping Center on Harrison Street was promoting a festive hairdo with bangs for \$2.50 and creme permanent for \$12.50.

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Lahiere's Garage on Spring Street was offering a rear engine, 4 door Renault Sedan for \$1695. Shelton Motor Company on Witherspoon Street described the 1958 DeSoto's new flight sweep styling with vertical tail fins as low, lean and modern. Twin Service & Auto Laundry

The theatre news announced that Cary Grant, the popular motion picture star will head the cast of "Kiss Them For Me," at the Princeton Playhouse's 20th anniversary show on December 9, 1957.

The Playhouse Theatre was showing "Operation Mad Ball," starring Ernie Kovacs, Jack Lemmon, Kathryn Grant and Mickey Rooney.

The big story with Princeton University sports was that Yale upset the favored Tigers for their 80th football show down. More than 46,000 people jammed Palmer Stadium, taking every available seat from row one in the center of the big horseshoe to the wooden bleachers atop the Stadium's rim. Indications were that the sell out would be repeated with the Dartmouth game the following Saturday. It would be the first such consecutive sell out since the Stadium was built in 1914.

Coach Dick Colman was hopeful of victory against Dartmouth. "We have an awful fine bunch of seniors on this squad," he said, "and it may be that they will provide the type of play and leadership needed. The fact that the Ivy title is at stake, when it has not been in other years, will also be working for us." (The following Saturday it snowed and yes, the Tigers beat Dartmouth 34-14 and won the Ivy League title).

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### Stuart Country Students Lend Helping Hands

While community service and charitable giving during the holiday season carry a special meaning for many people, Stuart Country Day School of the Sacred Heart, students, faculty and parents have been busy with outreach efforts of their own.

As part of a continuing tradition, Stuart Middle School students threw a special Halloween Party for 30 preschoolers from the Martin House, a Catholic center for inner-city families in Trenton. Party-goers dressed up in donated costumes, played games, and went trick-or-treating.

In addition, upper school community service director Doug Green has organized a school-wide Thanksgiving food drive with the Mt. Carmel Guild to help feed Trenton's homeless.

The Stuart Parent Association continues to organize gifts, donations, and volunteers for Sacred Heart Trenton. This school is the only parish school remaining in the inner city of Trenton and

depends on the assistance it receives from places like Stuart Country Day School.

"Good things come from good deeds," said Headmistress Sr. de la Chapelle. "By serving the community, our girls discover their own responsibility and capacity to help shape the future, to put their ideals into action creating the sort of world in which they wish to live."

The National Coalition of Girls' Schools (NCGS), of which Stuart Country Day School is a member, has long stressed the value of making money skills - including philanthropy - a part of girls' lives from an early age.

"There are practical things that parents can do to instill both a spirit of giving as well as financial literacy," said Whitney Ransome and Meg Milne Moulton, NCGS co-executive directors. "Something as simple as managing a checkbook and deciding where the money goes can open the door to a lifetime of financial ability."



**FRAME OF MIND:** "The elves are here up to the last minute, but the sooner the better for holiday framing. Call now!" Jill Nielsen, owner of Nonesuch Picture Framing & Fine Art, holds an antique Japanese woodblock print, framed with handcarved custom-made finished corners. To the left is an award-winning framed piece (with ribbon) which won second place in a statewide framing contest. The shop offers an extensive selection of moldings from around the world, as well as unique ready-made photo frames, and a collection of art work, especially landscapes and botanicals. Signed and numbered limited edition prints are "priced to go!" Conservation products are always used for framing, says Ms. Nielsen, and 90% of the work has ultra violet-proof glass. Restoration work of old pieces is the specialty of associate Ray Schilke.

### Thirty Local Children To Join "Nutcracker" Cast

Thirty children from the Princeton area were selected to join the cast of American Repertory Ballet's production of Graham Lustig's, *The Nutcracker*, this holiday season.

Those performing will be: Emily Byrne, Patricia Chen, Nicole deRavel, Laura Fuchs, Elizabeth Ham, Sarah Hay, Michelle Lau, Charlotte Lescroart, Niall Jean Lessard, Zoe Marie Lessard, Devin Lynch, Margaret Mackinson, Alana Osborn-Lief, Larissa Pawliw,

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Performances of Graham Lustig's *The Nutcracker* can be seen at the McCarter Theatre on Friday, November 29, and Saturday, November 30, at 1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. and Sunday, December 1, at 1 p.m. Ticket prices are \$26, \$32, and \$38. For ticket information, call 1-888-ARTSWEB or visit [www.mccarter.org](http://www.mccarter.org).

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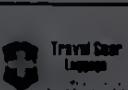


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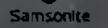
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## Historical Society Plans "Greens and Goodies" Sale

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Holly, hand-decorated wreaths and centerpieces, and kissing balls made of boxwood will be on sale. Homemade cakes, cookies, fancy breads, and New York cheddar cheese will also be available.

Visitors can enjoy hot spiced cranberry punch while browsing through the items offered for sale by the society's members.

The sale will be held in the one-room schoolhouse located behind the Griggstown Reformed Church on Canal Road in Griggstown.

Dating back to 1849, the schoolhouse was used for first through eighth grades, under the instruction of one teacher.

After graduating, students were bussed to area high schools, primarily Princeton High School.

In June 1932, the school closed as a teaching facility. The Historical Society restored the building and uses it for meetings.

## Westminster Schedules Holiday Dinner, Concert

Westminster Choir College of Rider University will present a pre-concert benefit dinner, in conjunction with its annual Evening of Readings and Carols, on Saturday, December 14. The dinner will be held at Prospect House on Princeton University campus, which is near the Princeton University Chapel, where the concert will be held.

Tickets are \$150 and \$250 per person and include dinner and the concert. Proceeds will benefit Westminster's scholarship program.

The evening will feature the Westminster Chapel Choir, Westminster Schola Cantorum, and the Westminster Symphonic Choir, performing holiday music with organ and brass. Music will be interwoven with readings, and the audience is invited to join in singing traditional Christmas carols.

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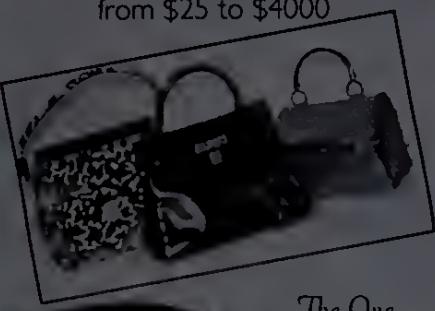
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**Simply Einstein: Relativity Demystified** by Richard Wolfson  
\$24.95 W.W. NORTON & COMPANY

With this reader-friendly book, it doesn't take an Einstein to understand the theory of relativity and its remarkable consequences. In clear, understandable terms, physicist Richard Wolfson, Benjamin F. Wissler Professor of Physics at Middlebury College, explores the ideas at the heart of relativity and shows how they lead to such seeming absurdities as time travel, curved space, black holes, and new meaning for the idea of past and future. Drawing from years of teaching modern physics to nonscientists, Wolfson explains in a lively, conversational style the simple principles underlying Einstein's theory.

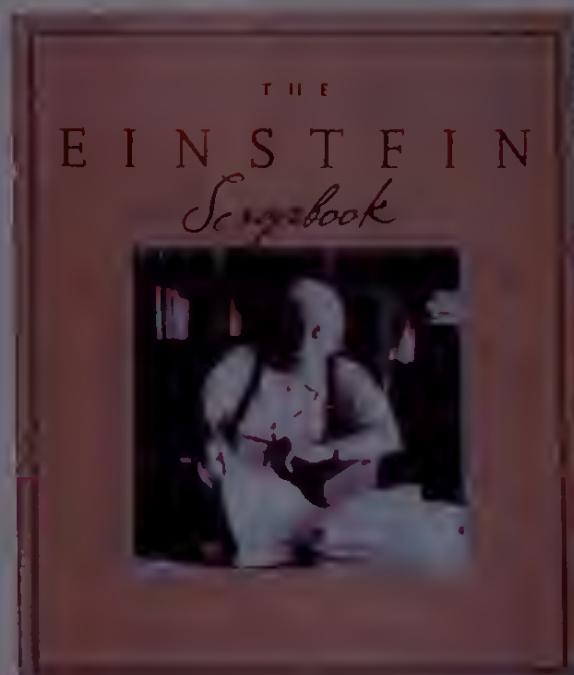
**Dear Professor Einstein: Albert Einstein's Letters to and from Children** by Albert Einstein, Alice Calaprice (Editor), Evelyn Einstein, Robert Schulmann (Introduction) \$24. PROMETHEUS BOOKS  
Obviously, Einstein could not respond to every letter written to him, but the responses he did find the time to write reveal a man who was very fond of children and enjoyed their company. Here are more than sixty letters, most never published before, illustrated with numerous photographs that show his playful side. Alice Calaprice is a Senior Editor at Princeton University Press, where she has worked with the Einstein Papers for over twenty years.

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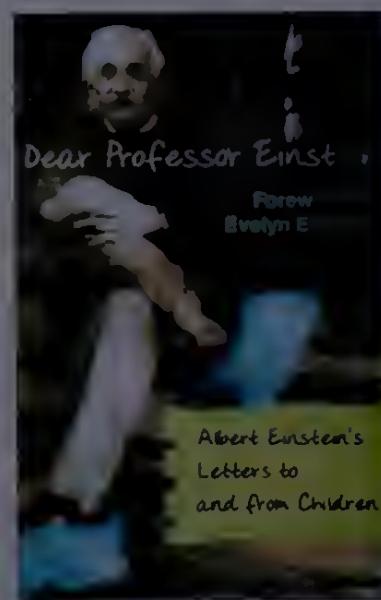
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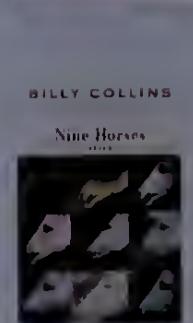
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Princeton readers are exceptionally knowledgeable about history and biography, and extraordinarily discriminating in their choice of fiction and poetry—so narrowing down the selection to these few titles was difficult!



**Paris: Capital of the World** by Patrice Higonnet, Arthur Goldhammer (Translator) \$35. BELKNAP PRESS

In constructing "a history not of factual events but of the way the city has been perceived, conceived, and dreamed," Higonnet draws a fresh social, cultural and political portrait of Paris from the mid-18th century through the 19th century, augmented by some looks back and forward. Higonnet manages to be both intensely intellectual and deftly vivid as he escorts readers through a very wide range of reading.



**Nine Horses: Poems** by Billy Collins \$21.95 RANDOM HOUSE

Billy Collins's first book of new poems since *Picnic, Lightning* in 1998, is the latest curve in the phenomenal trajectory of this poet's career. Already in his forties when he debuted with a full-length book, *The Apple That Astonished Paris*, Collins has become the first poet since Robert Frost to combine high critical acclaim with broad popular appeal. And, as if to crown this success, he was appointed Poet Laureate of the United States for 2001-2002, and reappointed for 2002-2003.



**Swan** by Frances Mayes \$25. BROADWAY BOOKS

In her celebrated memoirs of life in Tuscany, Frances Mayes writes masterfully about people in a powerful and shaping place. In *Swan*, her first novel, she has created an equally intimate world, rich with striking characters and intriguing twists of fate, that hearkens back to her southern roots. By the author of *Under the Tuscan Sun*.



**Best American Short Stories 2002** Edited by Sue Miller \$13. MARINER BOOKS Paperbound

This anthology, a perennial favorite in Princeton, is one of only two paperbacks to make this year's catalog—all of us were in agreement that we couldn't leave it out. As guest editor Miller states in her introduction, the realist story seems to have taken hold as the American form of this art.



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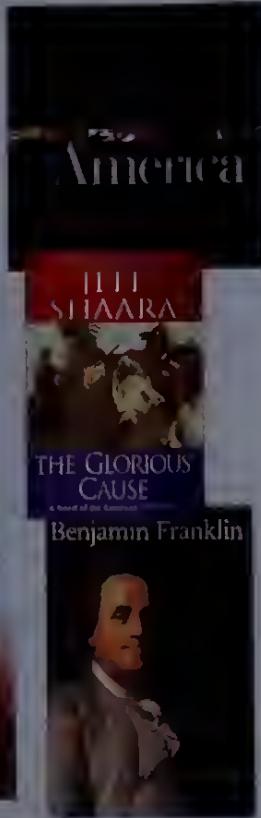
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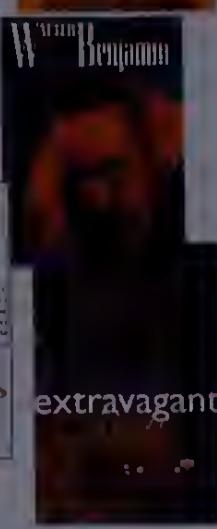
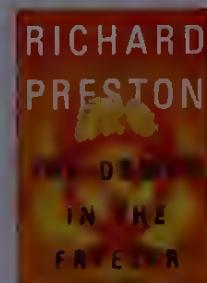
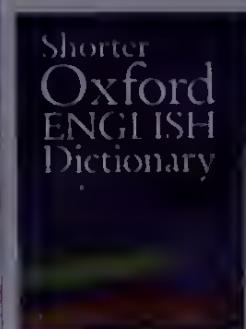
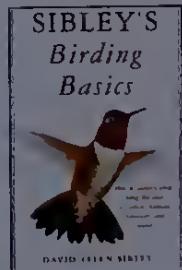
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**Moy Sand and Gravel** by Paul Muldoon  
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Paul Muldoon's ninth collection of poems, his first since *Hay* (1998), finds him working a rich vein that extends from the river, apple-heavy County Armagh of the 1950s, in which he was brought up, to suburban New Jersey, on the banks of the D&R Canal dug by Irish navvies, where he now lives. At the heart of the book is an elegy for a miscarried child, and that elegiac tone predominates, particularly in the elegant remaking of Yeats's "A Prayer for My Daughter".



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